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Song of General Kim Il Sung

1. Marks of blood on every ridge of the Changbaek,
Marks of blood on every reach of the Amnok.
Still now over the blooming free Korea
Those sacred marks shed brilliant rays.
O dear is the name, our beloved General!
O glorious is the name, General Kim Il Sung!

2. Tell, ye snowstorms in the wilderness of Manchuria,
Tell, ye long, long nights of deep forests,
Who is the partisan unrivalled for all times!
Who is the patriot peerless for all ages!
O dear is the name, our beloved General!
O glorious is the name, General Kim Il Sung!

3. Gracious liberator he is to the working masses.
Great sun he is to new democratic Korea.
All united firm on the Twenty-Point Platform,
Spring dawns all over north Korea.
O dear is the name, our beloved General!
O glorious is the name, General Kim Il Sung!

Comrade Kim Il Sung standing on Lake Chonji (Heavenly Lake) at the top of Mt. Paekdu-san

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COMRADE KIM IL SUNG IS THE GREAT LEADER OF REVOLUTION

Today the Korean people significantly greet the 60th birthday of their respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

The 60th birthday of Comrade Kim Il Sung is the most glorious national holiday and the happiest day to the Korean people.

Comrade Kim Il Sung was born at Mangyongdae of Pyongyang on April 15, 1912 and has devoted himself to the struggle for the freedom and happiness of the people for half a century now since he set out on the road of revolution in his early years.

Comrade Kim Il Sung is the great Leader of revolution who, shouldering the destinies of the fatherland and the nation, has led the Korean people along one road to victory and glory and ushered in a new era of socialism and communism in this land.

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The half-a-century-long history of revolutionary struggle of the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung is a brilliant history replete with immortal revolutionary exploits.

He raised aloft the beacon fire of the revolution in the nation's darkest hour to show our people the way to national resurrection, brought the nation world-wide fame and demonstrated its mettle to the whole world and ushered in a new era of great prosperity for the first time in the Korean people's history of five thousand years.

Because of the absence of an outstanding leader in the past, the Korean people had lost their country and suffered national misfortunes and the communist movement and the national liberation movement repeated bitter setbacks and undergone many trying ordeals.

Our people thirsted for the appearance of an outstanding leader who would deliver the nation from crisis.

Just at that very time Comrade Kim Il Sung correctly grasped the demands of the revolutionary situation and stood in the forefront of the revolution to lead the Korean people along the straight road to victory.

The dark clouds gathering under the rule of the brutal Japanese imperialists were dispelled, this land got bright with the radiant rays of victory in the revolution and a new glorious history of national resurrection started.

Comrade Kim Il Sung advanced the *Juche*-based revolutionary line of the Korean revolution and organized and led the arduous anti-Japanese armed struggle.

Comrade Kim Il Sung said to the following effect:

...The situation obtaining today... compels us to take up arms....

The question will not be solved if we merely sit and lament or wail at the sight of the enemy's bestial atrocities.
We must rise and fight in arms....

This was the correctest line designed to accomplish the Korean revolution by the Koreans themselves and the most thorough anti-imperialist line making it clear that the counter-revolutionary violence should be met with the revolutionary violence and that the armed counter-revolution can be defeated only by an armed struggle.

After setting forth the line of the anti-Japanese armed struggle, Comrade Kim Il Sung formed the Anti-Japanese Guerilla Army, the first revolutionary armed force of the Korean people, of progressive workers, peasants and patriotic youths, organized and unfolded an anti-Japanese armed struggle, and thereby developed the Korean communist movement and national-liberation movement onto a new stage.

The anti-Japanese armed struggle organized and led by Comrade Kim Il Sung was not a mere armed struggle. It was the highest form of anti-imperialist national-liberation struggle which was guided by the Marxist-Leninist *Juche* idea and aimed at liberating the Korean people from the colonial yoke of the Japanese imperialists and achieving class emancipation; it was a great revolutionary war closely linked with the political and economic struggles of the broad masses.

He led the arduous armed struggle against Japanese imperialism to victory, securing himself all necessary things for the armed struggle under the conditions that there was neither a state support nor external backing.

The glorious 15-year-long anti-Japanese armed struggle organized and waged under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung won a historic victory and the Korean people were liberated from the yoke of nearly 40 years of Japanese imperialist rule.

The restoration of the fatherland—this marked a historic event which enabled the Korean people to end the disgraceful fate of a ruined nation for good and led them to the path of national resurrection; it was one of the greatest and most brilliant exploits performed by Comrade Kim Il Sung.

The glorious revolutionary traditions of our Party were established in the course of the anti-Japanese armed struggle organized and waged by Comrade Kim Il Sung. They are the most valuable revolutionary wealth and treasure that the Korean people should inherit and develop in an all-round way from generation to generation.

Thanks to the glorious revolutionary traditions built up by him, the Korean people could vigorously promote the revolution and construction even under the complex circumstances after liberation.

In the complex situation obtaining immediately after liberation, Comrade Kim Il Sung clearly indicated the road for the Korean people to follow and energetically aroused our people to the building of a new state.

The situation of the liberated fatherland was difficult and complex.

Disguised as a "liberator," U.S. imperialism, the ringleader of world reaction, occupied south Korea in place of the sworn enemy, Japanese imperialism. The class enemies ran amuck as if their days had come, with the backing of their new master, and the renegades of the revolution also did their utmost to take their whack.

The joy of the liberated people knew no bounds and their spirits were sky-high. But they were quite at a loss where to go and how.

At this very time, too, having gained a scientific insight into the difficult and complex internal and external situation Comrade Kim Il Sung put forward a revolutionary line of turning the northern half of the Republic into a democratic base, clearly showing our people their path.

On the basis of the revolutionary traditions established in the period of the anti-Japanese armed struggle, he founded the Party, the General Staff of the revolution, set up the people's power, the strong weapon of the revolution, and formed the People's Army, the reliable defender of the revolution.

He successfully carried out the agrarian reform, a burning issue posed by the building of a new state, and other tasks of the anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution, firmly established a people's democratic system, and thus converted the northern half of the Republic into a reliable base of the Korean revolution.

The three-year war forced upon us by U.S. imperialism was a life-and-death struggle on which the destiny of the fatherland depended, and it was the severest trial for our people.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, carrying all the heavy burdens on the front and in the rear on his own shoulders, led the People's Army and the entire people to victory by his outstanding leadership and original strategy and tactics, defeated U.S. imperialism which had boasted of being the "strongest" in the world, upheld with honour the freedom and independence of the country, and placed U.S. imperialism on the downgrade for the first time in history.

Right after the war the country lay in ruins, everything having been wrecked and burned down. Under such conditions Comrade Kim Il Sung led to victory the struggle of our people for the socialist revolution and socialist construction, overcoming all the difficulties and obstacles.

Comrade Kim Il Sung set forth the original policy of socialist transformation, a policy of effecting the reorganization of the economic form prior to the technical reconstruction, and accomplished the cause of transforming along socialist lines the relations of production in town and country in a short time of 4-5 years.

Consequently, under the wise guidance of the Leader, there was firmly established in this land a socialist system, a people's paradise, free from exploitation and oppression, for which the Korean people had aspired for ages and for which a large number of Communists had fought, shedding blood.

Relying on the triumphant socialist system, Comrade Kim Il Sung organized and mobilized

the entire people to the struggle for carrying out on a full scale the *Juche*-oriented line of industrialization with our own raw and other materials and our own techniques.

Under the difficult conditions in which the U.S. imperialists intensified their military provocations and the enemies at home and abroad were carrying on vicious machinations, he smashed passivism and conservatism and roused people energetically to a grand Chollima onward movement, led them to fulfil with credit in a matter of 14 years the difficult and complex task of industrialization which had taken capitalist countries one full century or a few centuries.

The conversion into a socialist industrial state—this was a great event of historic significance in our country, once a colonial agrarian country far removed from modern technical civilization, and was the birth of a new, mighty Korea which our people had eagerly longed to see for many a century.

As a result of the accomplishment of socialist industrialization, our country has finally done away with its economic and technical backwardness, the vestige of the old society, and joined the ranks of advanced countries of the world as a full-fledged member, and our people, freed forever from the former position in which they had been subjected to all sorts of humiliation and contempt for their backward economy, have become a mighty and dignified nation no one dare to provoke.

Our country has turned into an advanced socialist industrial state with fully developed industry and agriculture, into a cultural and rich socialist paradise where socialist national culture is in full bloom and all people learn to their heart's content and live a happy life, into a mighty socialist state which is possessed of a one-beats-a-hundred revolutionary army capable of knocking down any enemy at one stroke and whose whole territory is a fortress of the revolution.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader, set it as the supreme national task to drive U.S. imperialism out of south Korea, carry the national-liberation people's democratic revolution to completion on a nation-wide scale and achieve national reunification by the Koreans themselves, and organized and mobilized the entire people to the struggle for its fulfilment.

Following the path illumined by him the revolutionaries and patriotic people in south Korea are fighting stubbornly in the teeth of harsh military fascist suppression by the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys.

Under the direction of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification guided by the *Juche* idea, the great revolutionary idea, of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the south Korean revolutionaries and people are conducting an indomitable struggle underground and in mountains, behind the iron bars and on gallows, to overthrow the colonial rule of U.S. imperialism, shatter the Japanese militarists' scheme for reinvasion of south Korea, oppose the fascist oppression of their running dogs and hasten the victory of the south Korean revolution and national reunification.

The day of reunification is drawing near when an end will be put to U.S. imperialist colonial rule in south Korea and the compatriots in the north and the south live a happy life together.

Indeed, the half-a-century-long history of the revolutionary struggle of the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung is a brilliant history of struggle he waged, weathering all storms and tempests, for leading the Korean revolution to victory by the shortest cut and thus ushering in a new bright era of socialist and communist construction.

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The half-a-century-long history of revolutionary struggle of the great Leader of revolution Comrade Kim Il Sung is a history of his wise leadership over the revolution and construction and, at the same time, a history of his immortal ideological, theoretical activities.

With brilliant resources, wisdom, scientific insight and extraordinary energy, he founded the great *Juche* idea that gives a full answer to the new problems whose solution is required by the world-historic changes and revolutionary practice of our times, and has guided revolution along the path to victory.

The *Juche* idea is the core of the revolutionary ideas and theories of Comrade Kim Il Sung and is the greatest, most outstanding one of the ideological and theoretical treasures accumulated by him.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:
"Establishing *Juche* means, in a nutshell, having the attitude of master towards the revolution and construction in one's own country."
("Report on the Work of the Central Committee to the Fifth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea," Eng. ed., p. 132.)

Establishing *Juche* means holding fast to the independent stand of rejecting dependence on others and displaying the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and thus solving one's own pro-

blems for oneself on one's own responsibility under all circumstances; it means adhering to the creative stand of opposing dogmatism and applying the universal principles of Marxism-Leninism and the experiences of other countries to suit the historical conditions and national peculiarities of one's own country.

The *Juche* idea calls for settling all problems independently and creatively from the stand and attitude of the master towards the revolution and construction of one's own country. It is a great idea indicating the correctest road which makes it possible for each country to carry on revolution and construction with credit and a genuine idea of proletarian internationalism that enables each country to make a substantial contribution to the development of the world revolutionary movement by doing its own revolution and construction well.

This idea is Marxism-Leninism reflecting the essential requirement of the times when the Party and people of each country make revolution with a national state as a unit on their own responsibility for the revolution.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, basing himself on the great *Juche* idea, has further developed and enriched the Marxist-Leninist theory.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, proceeding from the stand and attitude of the master towards the revolution of one's own country, expounded anew the fundamental problems concerning the revolutionary world outlook of the working class and the necessity of recognizing nature and society on the basis of the *Juche* idea.

He clarified the law of colonial, semi-feudal society going over to socialism through people's democratic society, the problem of the formation and development of the socialist mode of production, and the main motive force of social development and the laws of class struggle under socialism, and advanced the theories concerning the active role of superstructure under socialism, the role played by a leader in the development of history and revolutionary traditions.

He made a scientific elucidation of the fundamental cause of the existence of two forms of ownership under socialism and the law of development of socialist ownership.

Comrade Kim Il Sung formulated in a scientific way the law of the economy developing at a steady, high tempo under socialism and gave a creative exposition of the basic motive force of economic development under socialism.

He also created an original theory concerning the guidance and management of the economy under socialism, further developed the theories on the basic law of socialist economy and the law of planned and proportionate development of the economy and set forth the ways and means for correctly recognizing and utilizing the laws of socialist economy.

Comrade Kim Il Sung clarified in an all-round way the features of economic relations of the reorganized world imperialist system headed by U.S. imperialism and gave a scientific exposition of the inevitability of its downfall.

On the basis of a scientific analysis of a new stage of development of the international communist movement, he made it clear that revolution breaks out and emerges victorious on an anti-imperialist front when the internal revolutionary forces are prepared and expounded anew the theory, strategy and tactics for making revolution and building socialism and communism in those countries that failed to go through the stage of normal capitalist development as well as in those countries which traversed different historical courses.

He made a scientific elucidation of the urgent theoretical and practical problems posed by the revolution and construction of our times and systematized them.

One of the most fundamental problems whose new solution the present era requires of the international communist movement is a problem of how to continue revolution after the establishment of socialist system to achieve the complete victory and the final victory, of socialism and of how to accomplish world revolution under the circumstances where socialism is triumphant only in some parts of the world and imperialism still remains in other parts.

Comrade Kim Il Sung profoundly analyzed and studied socio-economic and class relations under socialism, the law of the building of socialism and communism and the correlation between the revolution of one country and world revolution, and gave a scientific answer to the problems of principle to be settled for achieving the complete victory and the final victory, of socialism.

He advanced anew the theory as to the attainment of the complete victory of socialism by seizing the ideological fortress and the material fortress, two fortresses which should be captured on the way to socialism and communism.

He also made clear the essence of the transition period as a period of revolutionary turn during which capitalism is overcome and the complete victory of socialism won in politics, economy, ideology, culture and all other spheres; he presented the idea and theory that the period of transition is over and socialism emerges completely victorious when the class distinction between the working class and the peasantry is eradicated and a classless society is realized, and productive forces are so highly developed as to raise the living standard of all working people higher than that of the middle class of the past, by intensifying the proletarian dictatorship and continuing revolution; and he made first a clear exposition of the revolutionary principle and basic ways of winning the ultimate victory of socialism.

The theories advanced by him on independent national economic construction and socialist industrialization, the technological revolution and the basic principles of the solution of the socialist rural question, the revolutionization and working-classization of the whole society, the Party and state leadership and economic management under socialism and so on—all these are great theories showing the concrete ways and principles of socialist-communist construction.

Basing himself upon a profound analysis of the nature and historical position of modern imperialism, Comrade Kim Il Sung clarified the scientific revolutionary theory and strategy and tactics to thwart the world strategy of U.S. imperialism and develop the whole international revolutionary movement triumphantly.

The revolutionary ideas and theories of Comrade Kim Il Sung on the way to socialism and communism and on the liberation of mankind and the final victory of the world revolution are boundlessly inspiring the fighting people.

Indeed, the half-a-century-long revolutionary history of Comrade Kim Il Sung is a history of the great thinker who has founded the *Juche* idea, Marxism-Leninism of our times, and a brilliant history of having safeguarded the purity of the Marxist-Leninist theory on revolution and construction and having inherited and developed it amidst the struggle against opportunism of all shades.

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The half-a-century-long revolutionary history of the great Leader of revolution Comrade Kim Il Sung is a brilliant history of his fervent love for the people and infinitely lofty virtues.

Comrade Kim Il Sung has devoted his whole life to the struggle for the freedom and happiness of our people for a long time to this day since he set out on the road of revolution in his early years.

He has always worked, relying on the people, valued the people's interests and fought for the people.

He always discussed face to face with workers, peasants and other working people about state affairs, enlisted their strength and wisdom and, in reliance on them, guided the revolution and construction to victory.

True, the revolutionary history of Comrade Kim Il Sung is a bright example of the unbounded love for the people and the popular method and style of work.

He taught the way for the revolution and construction to our people and has led them along the one road of victory and glory, in the same boat with them.

Comrade Kim Il Sung not only emancipated our people from exploitation and oppression once and for all, but also fostered them into proud masters of the country, into masters of production.

He lit up the road for them to follow in each period of the development of the revolution and brought them up as strong-willed revolutionaries who don't vacillate in any adversity.

When the people were at a loss what to do and how under a complicated situation or when they met with great difficulty, he would go into their midst to clearly indicate the road ahead of them and arouse them to new heroic deeds.

When our country suffered trying ordeals internally and externally, he visited the working class of Kangson to tell them about the difficult situation of the nation and roused them to the world-startling grand march of Chollima. In order to advance the technological revolution onto a new stage he called on the working class of Huichon and kindled the torch of Huichon for bringing earlier the age of automation.

He always shared sorrows and joys with the people, regarded their pains as his own and highly valued and loved them very much.

He took best care of the revolutionary soldiers with a great, lofty love after he set out on the road of revolution and was always concerned more about his men than about himself, throwing his lot with them in all difficulties and adversity, and valued them very highly during the whole period of the arduous anti-Japanese armed struggle.

In the grim days of the war decisive of the destiny of the country, too, he called a commander on the front on the phone at midnight, asked in detail about the health of the combatants and earnestly instructed him to take good care of them lest they should catch cold as it was getting chilly.

With warm paternal care he looked after the bereaved families of the comrades who fell in the arduous revolutionary struggle and led them

to take over the revolutionary cause and play a nuclear role in the revolution and construction.

The great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung is also a benevolent father who embraces our people in his bosom and warmly looks after them to all the details of their life.

During the period of the arduous anti-Japanese armed struggle he did everything possible to carefully look after the life of our people; in the immediate post-liberation days and in the grim days of the war he showed warm parental solicitude for our people to live well; under the difficult conditions after the war he directed primary attention to the stabilization and improvement of the people's life and poured all his energy into the work.

Not content with this, he visited co-operative farms including those hidden deep among mountains and workers' settlements even at midnight or early in snowy morning, to take care of every aspect of the life of the workers and peasants of this country with fatherly affection.

Indeed, there is not a place in the country which is not visited by him.

He forgot rest and fatigue and worked day and night for the happiness of the people.

Comrade Kim Il Sung also looks after the south Korean brothers and overseas compatriots and shows warm solicitude and favours for them.

In drawing up a blueprint for a textile mill he thinks of ill-clad, hunger-stricken compatriots in the south and in forming a pelagic fishing fleet he cannot obtain sleep at the thought of the south Korean fishermen who may be adrift on the South Sea in a terrible storm at night. He takes utmost care of the 600,000 compatriots in Japan with the affection of a real father who thinks more of his children living far apart than the ones under his roof.

Indeed, the half-a-century-long history of the revolutionary struggle of Comrade Kim Il Sung is a history of devoted service to the fatherland and the people and a history of struggle of a genuine people's leader who is unboundedly benevolent, generous, modest and simple.

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The great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has performed immortal exploits in the course of his revolutionary struggle of half a century.

He is the liberator of the Korean people from Japanese imperialist rule, the great Leader of revolution who founded the Party, the people's government and the revolutionary armed forces and built a powerful socialist state independent, self-sustaining and self-defensive as we see today, in this land where age-old poverty had prevailed, the great thinker who founded the *Juche* idea and brightly lit up the road of revolution, the iron-willed brilliant commander who knocked down two imperialism for a single generation and the benevolent father who loves and values the people quite much.

Our people know full well from their experience of life that they owe the socialist fatherland of today, their happiness and honour and their bright future to the Leader, and entrust everything to him.

Today, too, he, with great intelligence and deep insight, continues to lead the revolution and construction along the straight road to victory, giving a correct answer to complex problems posed by the revolutionary practice of the present times.

Indeed, Comrade Kim Il Sung is the great Leader of revolution and the sole centre of unity and cohesion of the Korean people.

The Korean people are united and rallied firm as a rock around him with a sense of boundless pride in and happiness of being the revolutionary soldiers of the Leader and regard it as the greatest honour and the most sacred duty to devote themselves to the struggle for the victory of his great revolutionary ideology.

The period of sixty years after the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung was born, the period of half a century since he started leading the struggle for national and class liberation, raising high the flames of the revolution, is the most proud and glorious period in which our nation became world-famous and its mettle was demonstrated to the full to the whole world for the first time in our country's history of five thousand years.

On the occasion of the 60th birthday of Comrade Kim Il Sung the Korean people look back with deep emotion on the glorious and brilliant history of his revolutionary struggle for half a century and warmly congratulate him with fervent loyalty and the feeling of unbounded respect.

Only victory and glory are in store for the Korean people enjoying the sagacious guidance of the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, peerless patriot, national hero, ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander and one of the great leaders of the international communist and working-class movements.

Great Love Will Shine Forever in History

Spring has come to this land.

She is here to join us in celebrating our greatest national holiday, the 60th birthday of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the genius of revolution produced by mankind.

Land, sky and sea look fresh and radiant and our people's hearts swell with the warm feelings of infinite reverence for the fatherly Leader.

This spring the minds of our people go to the low straw-thatched house, the home of revolution, at the foot of the historic Mangyong-bong Hill.

In this house the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung was born on April 15, 1912 and nourished his great love for the fatherland and the people and for revolution, tasting all sorrows and bitters of our ruined nation.

At the early age of 14, he came out of the wicket gate of this house and embarked upon the long, rough road of revolution.

Half a century of glorious, brilliant struggle has passed since then.

Weathering the violent storms of revolution solely for the country and the people and for the victory of the Korean revolution and the world revolution, he founded the great immortal idea of *Juche* and lit up brightly the path our era should go; he beat down the two imperialist aggressors, Japanese and American imperialism, for a single generation and opened up in this land a new era of epochal change and prosperity unknown in our history. Our country boasts of a long history of 5,000 years. But never before have our people had such a great leader as him who is possessed of scientific revolutionary theories and outstanding leading abilities, loves so ardently his country and people and leads the revolution to brilliant victory.

All our happiness, prosperity and glory of today are quite unthinkable without his great love and wise leadership.

That is why our people, full of feelings of unbounded reverence and gratitude, sing of the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, of the great love of the fatherly Leader which will shine forever in our history and will be passed down from generation to generation, and of the 60th birthday of the fatherly Leader who has devoted his all solely to the struggle for his country and people and for the victory of revolution.

The great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung is the benevolent father of the people, the sun of the people, which has risen over this land for their sake.

The glorious, brilliant history of the Korean revolution is closely associated with him. And so are all the life and songs of fighting and creative, happy and prosperous socialist Korea.

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This April greeting the 60th birthday of the fatherly Leader, the happiest national holiday, the people of this country, filled with the feelings of infinite loyalty to and immense reverence for him and with deep emotion, recollect the historic day when he set out on the long, thorny path of revolution at the early age of 14 with a firm determination "not to return before Korea wins independence."

Indeed, how eagerly our people craved for the appearance of a great leader of revolution who would save the country and the nation in the grimmest days when they were suffering great sorrows and tribulations as a ruined nation!

The Japanese imperialist invaders planted their blood-stained sabre into the heart of our country with a long history and tormented our people with brutal suppression. This led to resistance. The righteous volunteer army struggle was waged under the slogan "Annihilate the Japanese invaders!" and the participants in the patriotic cultural and political movement called for the "restoration of national sovereignty" and the "development of industry and education." And there broke out the nation-wide March First Uprising and the whole land was drenched with the blood of our nation. In its wake a communist movement started.

All these struggles and resistances, however, were ruthlessly suppressed and people were murdered in cold blood on account of the absence of a great leader who had to guide them.

Just at a time when the age and nation longed eagerly for a great leader of revolution who would deliver the country and the people, our people saw the appearance of their leader.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, peerless patriot and national hero, who was born into a family which was patriotic and revolutionary from generation to generation and fully experienced the sorrows and agony of a ruined nation and loved the country more ardently than anyone else, stood in the van of the Korean revolution, upholding the lofty aims of his parents Mr. Kim Hyong Jik and Mrs. Kang Ban Sok, ardent and staunch anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters who devoted their whole lives to the struggle for the restoration of the fatherland.

Indeed, this stirring event meant the birth of a new Korea for our people and signified the break of a new dawn in our great revolution that would usher in a new resplendent era in this land. Already in the early days of his revolutionary activities, he founded the great immortal idea of *Juche* and brightly lit up the path of the Korean revolution that was groping in the dark. In the summer of 1930 he called the historic Kalun Meeting where he set forth the *Juche*-based Marxist-Leninist revolutionary lines for the Korean revolution—the line of the anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution, the line of the armed struggle, the line of the united front and the line of founding a Korean Communist Party—which no one else had ever put forward.

Advancing the line of the anti-Japanese armed struggle, he said to the following effect:

...Our immediate aim is to crush the Japanese imperialist aggressors and attain the liberation and independence of Korea. And Japanese imperialism, the target of our struggle, is a burglar armed to the teeth.... Therefore, Japanese imperialism will not withdraw of its own accord. Who, then, should win independence for Korea?! It is absolutely impossible to achieve independence with foreign aid....

The only way is for us Koreans to fight and defeat the Japanese imperialists by our own strength. To do so, an armed struggle must be waged....

We Koreans must become masters of the Korean revolution. We must regain the lost country for ourselves. We must form an anti-Japanese guerilla army to overthrow by force of arms brigandish Japanese imperialism armed to the teeth!

Comrade Kim Il Sung thus clearly indicated the path of the Korean revolution on the ever-victorious great *Juche* idea.

Now the Korean people found their strength in their iron fists and saw bright future of the revolution which they would drive forward by their strength.

Wrapped in boundless emotion, our people looked up to Comrade Kim Il Sung as their sun, as the great Leader of revolution.

Standing in the forefront of the Korean revolution and personally leading the anti-Japanese armed forces, the great Leader wiped out without mercy the brigandish Japanese imperialist aggressors by a variety of flexible superb guerilla tactics, crossing and recrossing the steep peaks of Mt. Paekdu-san and the vast wilderness of northeast China.

All the enemy's guns and aircraft proved powerless before him, and the enemy shivered with fright at his name.

The great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung kindled the flames of revolution in the nocturnal sky over Pochonbo and fired the gun of liberation in the Musan area to give the downtrodden and oppressed nation the hope and confidence that the Koreans were not dead but were alive and they could beat down brigandish Japanese imperialism if they fought it.

True, we cannot find in our history a leader who loved the country and the people so passionately as he did.

He was the great Leader of the people, who regarded it as the honourable duty of the son of Korea to devote himself to the struggle for the people and revolution and saw the worth and happiness of his life therein.

Even in the days of the hard-fought struggle he established the guerilla base and set up the genuine people's government there; in the balmy spring days when larks were trilling merrily, he mingled himself with peasants to sow, planning the happy morrow of the fatherland; he trained numerous Communists in the fire of the arduous struggle and vigorously made organizational and ideological preparations for the founding of a Party; he personally worked out and made public the Ten-Point Programme of the Association for the Restoration of the Fatherland—the invincible banner of the Korean revolution that powerfully roused the entire Korean people as well as the anti-Japanese guerillas to the war of resistance against Japanese imperialism.

He fought ceaseless battles against the formidable enemy; he saved the Korean revolution from crisis and upheld the banner of *Juche* for the Korean revolution to the last unfolding uncompromising, resolute struggles against the flunkeyists and opportunists of all hues; he organized and led victoriously the Arduous March, the most arduous and heroic in world history....

What a long distance he covered through flames and snowstorms for the fatherland and the people and for the victory of revolution and how many sleepless nights he spent in deep forests for them!

In the 15 years of arduous struggle he spent under the open sky exposing himself to wind and frost the lost fatherland, the downtrodden people and the bright morrow of the liberated homeland were always on his mind.

Instilling a bright hope into the hearts of the anti-Japanese guerillas, he said in this vein:

... How worthwhile and happy it will be if we build a society free from oppression and exploitation on the soil of our country with its beautiful mountains and limpid streams and tap its abundant resources on our own and all of our people come to enjoy a free and plentiful life! For this very ultimate goal we are now fighting, shedding our blood....

He was indeed the great Leader of revolution who took the whole destiny, present and future, and everything, big and small, of Korea upon himself. That was why the anti-Japanese guerillas defended the Headquarters of the Korean revolution where he was, with their lives in any adversities, and they under his wise leadership undeviatingly followed the thorny path of revolution, surmounting all hardships under the slogan: "Let us fight the enemy even dying a thousand and one times!"

At long last in 1945 the great Leader defeated

The great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung giving an on-the-spot guidance at the Hwanghae Iron Works

brigandish Japanese imperialism and accomplished the great historic cause of the liberation of the country and the nation with credit.

That was indeed a great victory which would go down in letters of gold in the eternal history of our country to be passed down from generation to generation and immensely stirred people and the times. And it was also a great historic victory which made immortal contribution to the development of the world revolutionary movement including the national liberation struggle in colonies for breaking down the shackles of imperialist enslavement. In the flames of the heroic anti-Japanese armed struggle the Leader built up the most glorious revolutionary traditions that our Party and people should inherit and develop from generation to generation. Thanks to these glorious revolutionary traditions which wrote a brilliant page into our 5,000-year-long history, we could have the benevolent mother Party and the grateful people's power, and our 3,000-*ri* lovely land favoured with rich natural resources can cast its radiant rays on the whole world. And thanks to these glorious revolutionary traditions, our people can make Korea figure prominently before the world and dash forward vigorously toward a brighter, hope-filled future.

2

Liberated Korea seethed with joy and excitement.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, peerless patriot, national hero and ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander, returned home in triumph.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the sun of our people, brought as warm love as the sun, freedom and the song of a new life to our people who had lived in a hell for 36 long years. The Korean people enthusiastically welcomed him, dancing for joy.

Never before in the 5,000-year-long history of Korea had there been an event so significant and happy for our nation. Rousing cheers for the great Leader shook the whole land of Korea from the peak of Mt. Paekdu-san to Cheju-do Island. The entire Korean people extended the greatest glory of the nation to him.

He, however, ascribed all his glory to the people. Even without breaking the fatigue of the long-drawn struggle he set out on a fresh battle to build a new country.

Shouldering the destiny of the country, he had really a mountain of work to do.

He had to clearly show the liberated people how to build a new country and had to found the Party, the General Staff of the revolution.

He worked day and night, counting every second and every minute; he arranged numerous work every day and personally visited factories and farm villages to meet workers and peasants.

One day he started out for the Kangson Steel Plant. An anti-Japanese fighter who had the luck to accompany the Leader that day was off his head with joy. Since the steel plant lay in the direction of Mangyongdae, the fighter thought the Leader would visit this time Mangyongdae, his native place. It was already about two months after liberation. But the Leader did not visit his native home and meet his grandfather and grandmother who had been looking forward to him for 20 years since his departure.

Soon the car came to a fork, where one road, familiar to the Leader, led to Mangyongdae. Deep emotion was written on the face of the Leader.

He stopped the car and got down, and said to the fighter:

"Mangyongdae is over there.... It is a good place.... Go there in my place. I am sure you'll like it...."

Then he wrung out the consent of the disappointed fighter, got back into the car and sped on to the Kangson Steel Plant.

Thanks to this very great love of the Leader who dedicates his all to the struggle for the people's freedom and happiness, our people could regain their lost homeland and greet a new age of freedom, happiness and eternal prosperity.

The situation of our country was extremely complex in those days. Upon the surrender of Japanese imperialism the U.S. imperialists illegally occupied the southern half of Korea and looked out for a chance to colonize the whole of Korea. More, the enemies of every hue and stripe posed as "patriots" or "revolutionaries" and argued that a bourgeois republic should be set up or that socialist revolution should be carried out at once.

Free as Korea was, her people did not know where to go.

At this grave moment the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, not taking even a brief respite, straightened out the complicated situation and brightly illumined the road of the Korean revolution. So our people could confidently take their first step forward toward the building of a new country without delay.

Liberated Korea saw her bright future in the lines of the Korean revolution charted by the Leader—the line of carrying out the anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution which presupposed its continued transition to the socialist revolution and of founding a democratic people's republic and the line of building the northern half into a powerful revolutionary base to cope with the U.S. imperialists' policy of aggression.

Having thus clearly indicated the way for the construction of a new state, he founded, in order to lead the revolution to victory, the invincible Workers' Party of Korea which inherited the glorious revolutionary traditions of the anti-Japanese armed struggle. From that time, our people came to rush ahead along the victorious, glorious path of revolution under the guidance of the revolutionary Marxist-Leninist Party, the vanguard detachment of the working class and the General Staff of the Korean revolution, headed by Comrade Kim Il Sung.

True, it was because they had him that our people could have their Party, mass organizations, people's government and revolutionary armed forces without delay after liberation.

The great Leader gave land to the tillers to realize the age-old aspirations of our peasants, proclaimed the Law on the Nationalization of Industries to make our working class the master of the country and the leading class in the revolution, and enforced the Law on the Equality of the Sexes to open the way to a new worthy life for women. He also brought about great changes in all realms of public life—education, science, literature, art, etc.

Under his wise leadership the tasks of the anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution were thus fulfilled victoriously in this land.

The declaration of the founding of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in September 1948! It was one of the golden fruits borne by the great love of the benevolent Leader for the country and the people.

All our people poured out into the town and village streets or squares. What did they think of that day, looking up for the first time at the national flag bearing the radiant five-pointed star?

They thought of the Leader who had planned the future of the fatherland by the campfire at night or on the arduous march in the days of the war of resistance against Japanese imperialism and written it into the Ten-Point Programme of the Association for the Restoration of the Fatherland; they also pictured in their mind the red flag that had flown over the roof-top of the people's revolutionary government office in the revolutionary base.

Having become the masters of the country, power and all wealth under the guidance of the Leader, our people cemented rock-firm the revolutionary base of the northern half politically, economically and militarily, upholding the line of building a revolutionary democratic base.

As they had that revolutionary base, our people, under the wise guidance of the great Leader, could defeat the U.S. imperialist aggressors.

On June 25, 1950 the U.S. imperialist aggressors pounced upon our people, throwing in huge aggressive armed forces—the bulk of their ground, naval and air forces, troops of their 15 satellite countries and the Syngman Rhee puppet army—in an attempt to crush the fledging Democratic People's Republic of Korea in its infancy.

At that critical juncture when the fate of the country hung in the balance, Comrade Kim Il Sung, guiding all work on the front and in the rear, organized and mobilized vigorously the entire Korean people to the heroic struggle for wiping out the U.S. imperialist aggressors.

Workers, peasants, youth and students and intellectuals who had been afire with the desire to take up arms even once and fight as his faithful soldiers, formed regiments and divisions and went to the front.

Having inherited the glorious revolutionary traditions of the anti-Japanese armed struggle and learned in the warm bosom of great love of the Leader how to love and defend the country and how to hate and mercilessly smite the aggressors, they displayed peerless mass heroism on the heights, high and low, of the fatherland and dealt telling blows to the U.S. imperialist aggressors.

The whole course of the Korean war and the great victory in it eloquently showed the might of the great military thoughts of Comrade Kim Il Sung and of his ever-victorious strategy and tactics.

He did not regard the war as mere military operations and made it a fierce all-people revolutionary struggle.

He placed above weapons the idea of men who handled them and considered that the weapons in the hands of the revolutionary fighters alone could serve as a means for winning victory in the war. From this, he steadily held to his original stand of overpowering the numerical and technical superiority of the U.S. imperialist aggressors with the political and ideological superiority of the Korean people, and directed much efforts to strengthening the Party and arming firmly servicemen and the people politically and ideologically in the days of war.

His efforts paid off with a good return. As the war dragged on, the U.S. imperialist aggressors were exhausted and their morale was sagged, and, on the contrary, the Korean people gained in strength and their spirit ran high to thrash the enemy mercilessly and bring him to his knees at last.

Especially, the Leader, having a deep insight into the cunning military strategic schemes of U.S. imperialism and into their weak points at each stage of the war, foiled all the frantic "operations" and "offensives" of the enemy by his ever-victorious strategy and tactics and ensured a great victory.

The great victory in the Fatherland Liberation War— it was indeed a triumph of the sagacious leadership and ever-victorious strategy and tactics of Comrade Kim Il Sung and a brilliant victory of his great idea of *Juche*.

As Comrade Kim Il Sung put it, in the Korean war the U.S. imperialists suffered a miserable military defeat for the first time in the history of the United States, and that marked the start of the downhill turn for U.S. imperialism.

By beating thus the U.S. imperialist aggressors, he defended our beloved fatherland, the happiness of our people and even the freedom and flourish for our posterity.

The whole world looked up to Comrade Kim Il Sung, admired and cheered him and gained a fresh strength from him.

By blowing up to smithereens the myth about the "mightiness" of U.S. imperialism for the first time in history, he gave a powerful impetus to the struggle of hundreds of millions of people the world over for national independence and freedom; and by opening the world-historic start of the decline of U.S. imperialism, he ushered in a new age of the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle.

3

After defeating the U.S. imperialists, the great Leader led our people to build a bright socialist paradise in a short span of time in this land which had been reduced to ashes, and thus startled the whole world again.

Postwar rehabilitation and construction—it was a battle as hard as a war.

Towns, villages and factories had all been razed to the ground.

So, the enemy said: "Korea will not be able to stand up again even in 100 years." It, however, was a sheer nonsense of the defeated.

Comrade Kim Il Sung who had worked out a grand blueprint for postwar rehabilitation and construction in the days of the fierce war, advanced the basic line of postwar economic construction on giving priority to the growth of heavy industry simultaneously with development of light industry and agriculture, the line which no one else had ever thought of and followed, and called our people for another all-out battle for its implementation.

According to this line, the whole country instantly turned into a spark-flying battle field. The Korean people, rallied closely around the Leader and under his wise leadership, waged day and night a heroic struggle for their happiness and the reunification of the fatherland and for the prosperity of the generations to come, with their belts tightened.

Thus, the Kangson Steel Plant started producing molten steel in only 40 days after the ceasefire and factories and magnificent streets, bigger and more modern than those before the war, sprang up like a forest in Pyongyang, Songrim, Chongjin, Hamhung and other places of the country, showing once again the mettle of the Korean people to the U.S. imperialist aggressors.

The revolution developed rapidly. The Leader hewed out the path to socialist co-operativization of agriculture and socialist transformation of urban trade and industry in a unique manner, not restrained by the existing formula or the experiences of others. As a result, socialist transformation in town and country was completed smoothly in the shortest time.

For the boundless happiness of our people and the prosperity of the generations to come, he thus established the most advanced socialist system, free for good from exploitation, oppression and poverty, in this land where Japanese imperialism and U.S. imperialism had been knocked out.

The Leader not only loved the people infinitely, but also believed in the masses of the people more firmly than anyone else. So he made it a principle to actively enlist their inexhaustible strength and wisdom in the fulfilment of all the revolutionary tasks.

In working out each state policy, he went deep into among the masses to discuss it with them. It was also with such a deep trust in and warm love for the people that he initiated and guided the Chollima movement, the general line of our Party in socialist construction.

In 1956 in which the era of Chollima started in our country the internal and external situation was very complex and manifold difficulties and trials lay in the way of our revolution.

A complex situation was created in the international communist movement and the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys kicked up the "march north" racket all the more frantically. Availing themselves of this difficult situation, the factionalists, renegades of the revolution, within the Party started a frontal attack on our Party.

A temporary trying ordeal befell the revolution. At that time, too, the Leader first visited in person the Kangson Steel Plant to meet the working class, the support of the country. And he told frankly the steel-makers of Kangson about the difficult situation of the country and the intentions of the Party:

...Now our situation is extremely difficult.... The factionalists in our country rely on the support of their masters and Syngman Rhee attempts to attack us with help of the United States. Then, whom should we trust? It is none other than you whom we should trust....

His words found ready response in the hearts of the working class of Kangson. In particular, when he said: **"Whom should we trust? It is none other than you whom we should trust"** the workers sprang to their feet and shouted time and again "Long live Comrade Kim Il Sung!" And asking him to hand over the factionalists to them to throw into the electric furnace, they united ever closer around the Leader.

Having susceptibly grasped the requirements of the revolution and the ardent desire of the people for a leap, he put forward the slogan "Let us rush forward at the speed of Chollima!" and caused a whirlwind-like advance on all fronts of socialist construction.

The era of Chollima came to this land.

Over 13,000 machine tools were built a year beyond the state plan; more than 1,000 local industrial factories rose in a few months; tractors, automobiles and excavators were manufactured; and fibre was made from reed and vinalon—Korean cotton—from stone....

Always looking upon the popular masses as a teacher, the Leader embodied and developed the revolutionary mass line, which he had steadfastly maintained from the time of the anti-Japanese armed struggle, in conformity with the new reality of socialist construction to create the great Chongsan-ri spirit and Chongsan-ri method, a genuine method of the Party for guidance of the masses, and embodied that spirit and method in the management of the socialist economy to establish the great Taean work system and the new agricultural guidance system.

Such a work method and an enterprise management system created by him more dynamically accelerated the grand march of Chollima.

The great Leader, through this grand Chollima march, skillfully organized and mobilized the masses of the people to the implementation of the line of socialist industrialization.

He guided our people to effect a miracle of completing in 14 years industrialization which had taken others one hundred years or even a few centuries under easy conditions, even under the conditions where our country had been reduced to ashes and under the strained situation in which we stood face to face with the U.S. imperialists.

Thus, in our country which could not make even a simple needle in the pre-liberation years there has now been built an independent modern industry having heavy industry with a powerful engineering industry as its core and developed light industry.

Today our industry bearing the unbounded affection of the Leader for our people is in a position to produce all things from 6,000-ton presses, heavy-duty lorries, large tractors, electric locomotives, large ships down to a great variety of cloths and articles of cultural use; and it manufactures without difficulty not only separate units of machines and equipment but also complete sets of equipment for modern factories.

The rural technological revolution, too, has been successfully promoted. With the completion of irrigation and electrification and with the acceleration of mechanization and chemicalization all branches of agricultural production have made leaping progress.

Today, the far-reaching plan for the building of socialism and communism which the Leader

matured in the flames of the arduous anti-Japanese armed struggle is being splendidly translated into reality.

A country where the masses of the people are its masters and there is no exploitation and oppression; a country where all people live in harmony, helping and leading each other forward; a country where unemployment, hunger and shabby huts have gone never to return and people all create joy and happiness with their labour and wisdom; a country where all are entitled to free nine-year compulsory technical education and college education, receive free medical treatment and spend their holidays at rest homes free of charge; a country which has a self-defence potential strong enough to knock down any enemy at one blow if he attacks; a country where brilliant national culture and a "golden art" are in full bloom; a country where the overall victory of the great *Juche* idea has been won and the unity and cohesion of the whole Party and the entire people around the Leader have been achieved on the basis of the *Juche* idea.... This is the very radiant people's paradise on earth, the socialist paradise, which the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung built in this land overcoming trying ordeals of the revolution with a great and warm love for and infinite loyalty to the fatherland, the people and the revolution.

All these victories and achievements in the revolution and construction are the shining fruit of the great *Juche* idea of the Leader.

He has always worked out all lines and policies on the basis of the *Juche* idea and proficiently organized and mobilized our people to the gigantic struggle for their implementation, and thus brought about such epochal changes unknown in our history and opened a new era of glory, a new chapter in history, in which all things of this land—people, society and nature—change beyond recognition.

The fatherly Leader's fervent and great love for the people is shedding its light on the people in south Korea, the dark land, like the sunshine.

He even loses sleep at the thought of the compatriots in the south languishing under the fascist rule of the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys. He tells earnestly workers and peasants, whenever he visits a factory or a co-op farm, not to forget their brothers in south Korea all the time and produce more machines and rice for them.

Along the lines of the south Korean revolution and the independent, peaceful reunification of the fatherland clarified by him, today the revolutionaries and patriotic people in south Korea are valiantly fighting against the U.S. imperialists and their stooges. The day will certainly come when the dark land, south Korea, is liberated and the entire people of north and south Korea enjoy a perfectly happy life in the boundlessly broad bosom of love of the Leader.

The 600,000 compatriots in Japan and all other fellow countrymen abroad, too, are valorously fighting for defending their democratic, national rights and attaining the reunification of the fatherland, singing of the Leader's great love.

The great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung not only leads the Korean revolution along one road of victory, but also is making a pricelessly great contribution to the development of the world revolution.

Today when the international communist movement has entered a new stage of development he, on the basis of the great *Juche* idea, has given full answers to a number of new theoretical and practical questions raised by the building of socialism and communism, and thereby developed Marxism-Leninism onto a new, higher stage and further enriched its treasure-store.

He also put forward the correctest line for the unity and cohesion of the socialist countries and the international communist movement and conducted a consistent struggle for its implementation; he advanced the strategy and tactics of the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle and clearly indicated the right way of struggle for freedom and liberation to the oppressed and exploited people.

This has earned him the absolute support and respect of hundreds of millions of the world people today.

The great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has devoted his all to the struggle for the happiness of the people and the victory of the revolution for a long time!

Entirely to him we owe Korea of today and the happiness and glory of our people and their beautiful and brighter future.

That is why our people today look up to Comrade Kim Il Sung as the sun of the people and as the great Leader of revolution with a great pride and love and express boundless respect for him.

This feeling of unbounded respect for the fatherly Leader is the unanimous feeling of the entire Korean people who have weathered through the violent storm of the revolution.

This deep-rooted feeling has made our people his faithful revolutionary soldiers who follow only the great revolutionary idea, the *Juche* idea, of Comrade Kim Il Sung, and a heroic and revolutionary indomitable people who, under his wise leadership, remake nature and remould society, and build socialism and communism, the most beautiful ideal of mankind, in this land.

Today the great Leader has spread the bright blueprint, the Six-Year Plan, before our people and calls on them to carry it out.

When this brilliant plan charted by him is successfully put into effect, our country will become a richer and stronger socialist state and our people's life will be happier.

By successfully fulfilling the three major tasks of the technological revolution our workers will be emancipated once and for all from arduous and labourious work, the distinctions between industrial and agricultural labour reduced to a

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THE SUN OF THE NATION

Korea was free on August 15, 1945.

The great Leader of revolution General Kim Il Sung, peerless patriot, national hero and ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander, defeated Japanese imperialism and liberated the fatherland, by organizing and leading the anti-Japanese armed struggle for fifteen years.

Having won historic victory, he returned to the free homeland, flying the battle-scorched red banner.

How passionately he had loved and longed for the homeland!

How many hot battles he had fought and what a long march he had made overcoming difficulties for its restoration, eating gruel mixed with wild grass and sleeping in frost and snow! How many sleepless nights he had spent, giving thought to the people in the motherland suffering from the brutal rule! Now he was back home in triumph!

He said to the men of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army who were picking up a lump of their native soil with deep emotion:

"Comrades, we have come back home at last!"

This summed up poetically all the struggles that had been won.

The news of the victorious return-home of General Kim Il Sung, the sun of the nation, spread far and wide throughout the country. The entire Korean people warmly welcomed his triumphal return-home.

On October 14, 1945 a historic Pyongyang city mass meeting was called to welcome the triumphal return-home of General Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of revolution, at the public playground at the foot of the Moran-bong Hill.

The greatest joy ever since its existence gripped the whole city. People streamed into the playground from all parts of the city and outlaying farm villages long before the meeting started. The autumn sun was shedding its golden light. The meeting place was packed to overflowing with over 100,000 people, and the Moran-bong Hill was whitened with people.

To people waiting for General Kim Il Sung, an hour seemed months and years. They had awaited the day with patience for 36 long years of darkness. But now they felt every second and every minute unbearably long.

The meeting opened at 1:00 in the afternoon.

General Kim Il Sung appeared on the platform.

"Long live General Kim Il Sung!"
"Manse! Manse (hurrah)!"

Flowers waved. Rousing cheers thundered forth. The sun of the nation General Kim Il Sung who had given hope and courage to our nation and showed our fettered people the road to life in the grim days!

The greatest leader of the nation ever in the five-thousand-year-long history of our country!

The sun of the nation dispelled the dark clouds of national suffering and brought light to this land!

The sun of the nation would create a new history of great, eternal national prosperity for the 3,000-*ri* lovely land!

At this historic moment declaring the start of a great history by the great Leader, the playground at the foot of the Moran-bong Hill was just like a gay morning sea dancing with the fragrant breeze at sunrise.

General Kim Il Sung waved his hand and responded to the cheering mass of people with a smile like sunshine. His tender smile was indeed an expression of his great love that held the memory of the mountains and rivers of his fatherland and his people, even while marching tens of thousands of *ri* through the flames and snowstorms for many years of the anti-Japanese armed struggle. It was also the greeting of benediction from the Leader of the nation who promised a resurrection and shining victory to the Mother Earth of Korea!

His face beaming with bright smiles as he received bouquets of fragrant flowers from girls, his eyes shining with the happiness of the nation and filled with enthusiasm and wisdom! According to popular legend, he mowed down enemies like dead leaves in autumn with his glare and made dead branches flower with his smile! This was the great Leader responding to the welcome of the people with extraordinary influence and smile.

People could not take their enraptured eyes from him. How eagerly they had longed to see him! The Leader, whom they had seen in their dreams and looked up to as the beacon of hope while they lived their life in hell, during the long dark days when they suffered like slaves, the Leader of the nation who had fought a bloody struggle against Japanese imperialism for 15 years, holding high the battle-scorched red flag and the programme of national prosperity. Now he returned to the entire Korean people and was smiling at them amid bouquets!

His was the smile of the nation, the happiness of the people.

From cheers the crowds were moved to silent tears.

Presently, General Kim Il Sung made his first historic speech to the entire Korean people. The Moran-bong Hill rang with the resounding voice from the microphone:

"...Our people have won liberation and freedom from a life of darkness which lasted for 36 years, and our fatherland, the land of 3,000 *ri*, has begun to shine with bright hope like the brilliant rising sun.

"The time has come when we Korean people have to unite our strength and advance together to build a new, democratic state. A party or an individual alone cannot accomplish this great mission. Those with strength, let them dedicate strength; those with knowledge, let them devote knowledge; those with money, let them offer money! All the people who truly love their country, love their people, and love democracy, must achieve complete unity to build our fatherland as a democratic, independent, sovereign state...."

General Kim Il Sung concluded his speech, which touched the hearts of the crowds, with "Long live Korean independence!" The meeting place, which had been quiet like a water-sprayed garden, was again filled with the shouts "Long live General Kim Il Sung!" The cheers were an expression of the entire Korean people's boundless love and reverence for their respected and beloved Leader.

The **Pyongyang Minbo** of that day wrote about this enthusiastic welcome under the headline: "Cheers of 400,000 People Rock the Mountains and Rivers of Korea like an Embroidered Pattern on a Brocade":

"Pyongyang has a long history of 4,000 years, and its population is as large as 400,000 people. But has such a large crowd ever before met in one place?

"Have they ever had such a meaningful meeting?...

"What made this meeting particularly significant historically and turned the meeting into a storm of emotion, was that General Kim Il Sung, the great patriot of Korea and the hero produced by Pyongyang, was present there, and extended joyful and enthusiastic greetings and words of encouragement to the masses of people.... As soon as General Kim Il Sung, whom the Korean people most deeply adore and have been longing to see, appeared at the meeting, a storm of enthusiastic cheers arose, and all the assemblage were deeply moved and shed silent tears of joy."

Under the Revolutionary Banner of the Juche Idea

The revolutionary banner of the *Juche* idea is a great revolutionary banner raised first by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of revolution. The *Juche* idea originated by Comrade Kim Il Sung is an idea which requires maintaining invariably the attitude of the master toward the revolution and construction of one's country and solving all the problems of the revolutionary struggle and construction work creatively and independently; it is a great idea which is in full accord with the fundamental principle of Marxism-Leninism.

Under the revolutionary banner of the great *Juche* idea our people have always traversed the path of victory and glory.

Comrade Kim Il Sung said as follows:

"Under the revolutionary banner of the *Juche* idea our country has turned into a socialist state with complete political sovereignty, solid independent national economy, strong self-defence power and brilliant national culture. The establishment of *Juche* has also enabled us to contribute better to the international revolutionary cause today. All our victories represent a shining victory for the *Juche* idea of our Party and are a great fruit borne by the independent line of our Party." ("Report on the Work of the Central Committee to the Fifth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea," Eng. ed., p. 136.)

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, peerless patriot, national hero, ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander and one of the great leaders of the international communist and working-class movements, organized and led the glorious anti-Japanese armed struggle, brightly illumining the road of the Korean revolution by the immortal *Juche* idea in the period of national misery when our people was stateless, and achieved the cause of fatherland restoration; after liberation he led the democratic revolution, the socialist revolution and the socialist construction to victory by brilliantly embodying the *Juche* idea in all fields of the revolution and construction.

In the whole historical course of his revolutionary activities he has consistently organized and waged the struggle against flunkeyism, dogmatism, national nihilism and all hues of opportunism, thoroughly established *Juche* in ideological, political, economic, military and all other fields and ensured the overall victory of the *Juche* idea. He thereby has opened a new historical era of socialism and communism and an era of great national prosperity and flourish in our country.

Under the revolutionary banner of the *Juche* idea our Party and people are vigorously marching towards the nation-wide victory of our revolution and the victory of world revolution.

GREAT VICTORY IN IDEOLOGICAL REVOLUTION

The establishment of *Juche* in ideology is the most precious of the great achievements made as a result of the overall victory of the *Juche* idea in our country. The establishment of *Juche* in the realm of ideology brought about a radical change in the ideological life of our people and in their way of thinking and a great leap forward in the revolutionary struggle and construction work.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"Now we can say that flunkeyism, national nihilism and dogmatism as ideological trends have been eliminated in the main from among our Party members and people. The establishment of *Juche* in ideology is a great victory in the realm of the ideological revolution that has freed our people from the shackles of obsolete ideas detrimental to their consciousness of national independence." (Ibid., p. 135.)

The establishment of *Juche* in ideology is a basis for establishing *Juche* in all fields of the revolution and construction. It is because the ideology of people decides successes in all their revolutionary activities. Only when all functionaries and the working people rid their minds of flunkeyism, dogmatism, national nihilism and other obsolete ideas and arm themselves with the *Juche* idea, can they consistently maintain the *Juche* position in political, economic, military and all other spheres. As Comrade Kim Il Sung said, when a person takes to flunkeyism he becomes an idiot, when a nation takes to flunkeyism its country ruins and when a party takes to flunkeyism it makes a mess of the revolution and construction.

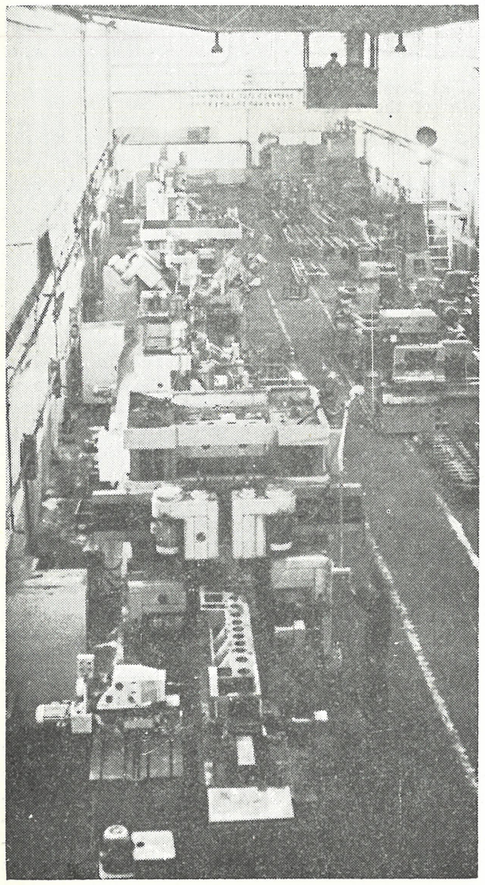
This is a serious lesson we have learned in the whole course of historical development of our country.

In the first days of his leadership over the Korean revolution Comrade Kim Il Sung, basing himself upon a scientific analysis of the laws of development of ideological consciousness and the peculiarities of the ideological life of our people, put forward a clear-cut line of establishing *Juche* in ideology and overcoming flunkeyism and dogmatism, and has ever since organized and guided the struggle for its implementation. Especially in 1955, he advanced a drastic policy to establish *Juche* and after the Fourth Congress of our Party he guided us to wage an extensive and profound struggle for establishing *Juche* in the revolution and construction in close combination with the struggle against opportunism.

Comrade Kim Il Sung saw to it that the ideological struggle against flunkeyism, dogmatism and all hues of opportunism was unfolded among the cadres, Party members and the working people. Meanwhile, he led them to strive tirelessly to arm themselves with our Party's lines and policies penetrated with the *Juche* idea and with the revolutionary traditions. He also guided them to have the revolutionary spirit of solving all problems in keeping with the actual realities of our country on the principle of self-reliance. As a result, flunkeyism, dogmatism, national nihilism and other ideological venoms which corroded the spiritual life of our people over a historically long period have been eliminated and *Juche* established in the realm of ideology.

With high national pride in carrying on revolution and construction under the guidance of the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and with deep consciousness of independence our people solve all problems of the revolution and construction for themselves always from the independent and creative positions.

A part of the Huichon Machine-tool Plant demonstrating the might of the *Juche* industry



Such revolutionary spirit and positions enable us to bring into full play the creative wisdom and revolutionary enthusiasm of our people.

UNITY AND COHESION OF THE WHOLE PARTY AND PEOPLE BASED ON THE UNITARY IDEOLOGICAL SYSTEM OF *JUCHE*

Under the revolutionary banner of the great *Juche* idea the Workers' Party of Korea, the General Staff of the Korean revolution, has attained monolithic unity and cohesion.

Comrade Kim Il Sung said as follows:

"Today the unity and cohesion of our Party have been uplifted to a new, high plane and have become most vitalized and most solid. We can say it is not until today that the unity and cohesion of the Party we Communists wanted to see so much have been fully realized on the basis of the unitary ideological system of *Juche*." (Ibid., pp. 131-132.)

The genuine unity of a working-class party can be realized only when it is based on the ideology of the leader, the founder of the party. If an alien ideology incompatible with the ideology of the leader is allowed within the party and the unity of action is not secured, such a party, in fact, can not be called a party and the unified leadership over revolution and construction can not be ensured.

The unitary ideology of the Workers' Party of Korea is the great *Juche* idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung, its founder and Leader, and the unitary ideological system of our Party is the ideological system of *Juche*.

Comrade Kim Il Sung brilliantly embodied the *Juche* idea in the domain of Party construction and advanced a creative theory on achieving the Party's unity and cohesion based on the unitary ideological system, and correctly organized and guided the struggle for its realization. Especially, he saw that the struggle for overcoming factionalism within the Party and strengthening the unity and cohesion of the Party was unrolled in close combination with the struggle for establishing *Juche* against flunkeyism and dogmatism. It was because establishing *Juche* against flunkeyism and dogmatism was important for establishing the Party's unitary ideological system and ensuring the correct leadership of the Party and the Leader and because the factionalists who appeared within our Party were, without exception, flunkeyists and dogmatists.

Since it had the *Juche* idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung as a weapon our Party could crush organizationally and ideologically factionalism which had done great harm to the working-class movement of our country and perceive the true colours of the bourgeois elements and revisionists lurking within the Party and expose and smash their plots in good time. As it had the *Juche* idea our Party could root out thoroughly the ideological virus spread by them, arm its members and the working people with the Party's ideology and achieve the Party's unity and cohesion of the highest level.

Today our Party is cram-full of the *Juche* idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung and the whole Party is closely

A view of the modern Chollima Street, a street of loyalty which has been built according to the far-reaching plan of the Leader

united with one mind and one will on the basis of the unitary ideological system of *Juche*. The realization of unity and cohesion which is the strongest in vitality and the most solid, the complete realization of unity and cohesion based on the unitary ideological system of *Juche*—this is a great victory of historic significance in the building of our Party and a brilliant fruit of the *Juche* idea.

Through the battle for establishing the unitary ideological system of the Party our Party has achieved not only the monolithic unity and cohesion of the whole Party based on the ideological system of *Juche* but also the solid political and ideological unity of the entire people.

The party of the working class can rally the masses of the people closely around itself and successfully organize and mobilize them to revolution and construction only when it achieves the unity and cohesion on the basis of the unitary guiding ideology.

Under the wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, our Party intensified dictatorship over the hostile elements and actively carried on the work of revolutionizing and working-classizing the working people, properly combining the class line with the mass line. In revolutionizing and working-classizing the whole society by giving priority to the ideological revolution, our Party set the work of establishing the unitary ideological system of the Party as the most important task and steadily developed in depth this work.

As a result, our whole society was full of the great revolutionary idea, the *Juche* idea, of the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and the entire people united closely around him and achieved their monolithic political and ideological unity. Our revolutionary ranks were built up as invincible ones and our society turned into a big Red family.

The steel unity of the Party and the rock-firm political and ideological unity of the entire people with the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung as the sole center—these are the source of our indestructible strength and the decisive guarantee of victory in our revolution and construction.

DIGNIFIED COUNTRY WITH COMPLETE POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE

The great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, while establishing *Juche* in ideology, splendidly embodied the *Juche* idea in all sectors of revolution and construction.

Our Party's line of independence is the embodiment of the *Juche* idea in the political field.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"All nations are equal and have the solemn right of national self-determination of deciding their own destinies for themselves. A nation can secure independence and freedom and attain welfare and prosperity only if it achieves complete political self-determination and exercises its rights taking them

Our people's armed forces of self-defensive nature are guarding firmly the defence line of the fatherland

firmly into its hands." (Kim Il Sung, Selected Works, Eng. ed., Vol. IV, p. 555.)

To maintain consistently independence is essential for exercising the solemn right of national self-determination and attaining prosperity of the country and the nation. Under the conditions in which the frontiers exist, national distinctions remain and each country exists as an independent political unit, without achieving complete political self-determination the national state is unable to push ahead successfully with its revolution and construction or to contribute to the development of the world revolution.

By thoroughly implementing the line of independence formulated by the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung our country has become a full-fledged, dignified independent socialist state possessed of complete political sovereignty.

Under the sagacious leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, our Party and the Government of the Republic determine all policies including the policies of industry, agriculture, education, literature and art, and jurisdiction in conformity with the specific conditions of our country, using their brains and execute them successfully by their own efforts by organizing and mobilizing the masses of the people.

All lines and policies set forth by the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung — the line of creating a revolutionary democratic base, the line on giving priority to the growth of heavy industry simultaneously with development of light industry and agriculture, the line of carrying out the socialist reorganization of the economic form prior to the technological reconstruction, the Chongsan-ri spirit and Chongsan-ri method, the Taean work system and the new system of agricultural guidance, the line of carrying on economic construction and defence upbuilding in parallel, the policy of correctly combining the proletarian dictatorship with democracy, the class struggle with the work of strengthening the unity and cohesion of the masses of the people, the policy of revolutionizing and working-classizing the whole society, the policy on socialist rural construction, the policy on the three major tasks of the technological revolution and the line of the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle — derive from the steadfast independent stand and are run through with the *Juche* idea.

Our Party and the Government of the Republic hold fast to the independent stand in the struggle for the reunification of the fatherland, too.

From the stand that the Korean problem can be solved only by the Koreans themselves and no others have the ability or right to solve it, our Party and the Government of the Republic have consistently maintained that the problem of national reunification should be solved by the Korean people themselves without interference of any outside forces under the condition that the U.S. imperialist aggression troops are withdrawn from south Korea.

Our Party and Government also determine the foreign policy independently on the principle of complete equality and mutual respect. They, basing themselves strictly on their own judgement and conviction, conduct the struggle against imperialism and the struggle against all hues of opportunism.

Such independent principled foreign policy has enhanced the prestige of our Party further still and consolidated the international position of our country as never before. Today our country maintains relations of friendship and co-operation with the socialist countries and a large number of newly-independent countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America. Contacts and exchanges are becoming more and more active between many peace-loving people of the world and our people. We have thus many revolutionary comrades and friends in all parts of the world, and the international solidarity with our revolution is strengthening as the days go by.

BUILDING OF INDEPENDENT NATIONAL ECONOMY AND SOCIALIST INDUSTRIALIZATION

The line of building an independent national economy is the embodiment of the *Juche* idea in the field of economy and is an unshakable guide to the economic policy of our Party.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"Building an independent national economy means building a diversified economy, equipping it with up-to-date technology and creating our own solid bases of raw materials, thereby building up an all-embracing economic system in which every branch of the economy is structurally interrelated, so as to produce domestically most of the products of heavy and light industry and the agricultural produce needed to make

the country wealthy and powerful and to improve the people's living conditions." (Kim Il Sung, Selected Works, Eng. ed., Vol. III, p. 399.)

Only when a nation builds an independent national economy can it secure political independence, make its country rich, strong and advanced,and achieve its prosperity. Economic independence is the material basis of political independence and is the material guarantee for establishing *Juche* in ideology and materializing self-defence in national defence. Building of an independent national economy is the only correct way to lay the solid material and technological basis of socialism.

The line of building an independent national economy is a basic guarantee for ending economic backwardness which is the real basis of inequality between nations, achieving national prosperity and building a socialist and communist society successfully. Under the wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, our country has scored great successes in revolution and construction by thoroughly implementing the line of building an independent national economy. As a result of thoroughly executing the line of building an independent national economy, the national economy has developed at a very high rate and the solid economic foundation of a rich, strong, independent, sovereign state has been laid in a very short time.

In our country there has been created the powerful base of heavy industry with the machine-building industry — which is equipped with new techniques, develops in reliance mainly on the domestic natural resources and sources of raw materials and turns out domestically production means needed for our national economy — as its backbone and the solid base of light industry which can meet the domestic needs for consumer goods has been established.

Today our industry makes only in 12 days as much industrial products as were turned out in the preliberation year of 1944. Our country which could not make even simple farm implements to mention is now in a position to manufacture various kinds of large-size machines and precision machines, and produce not only separate units of machines and equipment but also complete sets of equipment for modern factories. Our country has already reached the level of advanced industrial countries in the per capita output of major industrial products and surpassed them in some items.

Our country has built up a rural economy developed in a diversified way and possessed of firm material and technological foundations so as to satisfy the domestic demand for agricultural produce. In the field of agriculture irrigation and electrification have been completed and mechanization and chemicalization are promoted successfully. As a result, we gather rich crops every year.

With the solid foundations of an independent national economy laid and an independent economic system established, the material and cultural life of our people improved rapidly. Our national economy is splendidly run and developed rapidly by a huge contingent of our own national cadres.

As a result of the brilliant implementation of the line of building an independent national economy, our country has done away with age-old economic and technical backwardness forever, and joined the ranks of advanced countries of the world as a full-fledged member. Under the wise guidance of the Leader, our people have converted our country into a socialist industrial state possessed of a modern industry and a developed agriculture, by splendidly accomplishing the historic task of socialist industrialization in a very short time of 14 years. They are now advancing vigorously with a view to fulfilling the three major tasks of technological revolution to narrow down the distinctions between heavy and light labour and between agricultural and industrial work to a considerable extent and free the women from the heavy burdens of household chores.

MIGHTY SELF-DEFENCE SYSTEM— ALL-PEOPLE, ALL-NATION DEFENCE SYSTEM

The great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung set forth the line of self-defence, the embodiment of the *Juche* idea in the domain of national defence.

The thorough implementation of the self-defence line makes it possible for a country to build up successfully a powerful defence potential which an independent, sovereign state should have, to defend its political independence and national honour and safeguard with credit its security and revolutionary gains from imperialist aggression.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"The Government of the Republic will materialize our Party's spirit of self-defence, thoroughly preparing our people and soldiers politically and ideologically for war; it will make full material preparations to defend our country, relying on the solid foundations of the independent national economy we have already established and, at the same time, further increase our military might." (Kim Il Sung, Selected Works, Eng. ed., Vol. IV, p. 560.)

We build socialism under the condition where the territory is divided and we stand directly opposed to the U.S. imperialist aggressive forces. So our Party and people have thoroughly implemented the self-defence line to strengthen the defence potential.

They thereby have established an all-people, all-nation defence system, their own defence system strong enough to defend reliably the national security and the revolutionary gains for themselves under any complex circumstances.

At present our entire people and officers and men of the People's Army are fully prepared politically and ideologically for war. They maintain an unrelaxing, stand-by posture to cope with any surprise invasion of the enemy without the slightest confusion.

Our rear has also been consolidated and full material preparation made to defend the country on our own. As a result of the establishment of the bases of the independent war industry, we are now in a position to manufacture on our own various up-to-date weapons and combat and technical equipment necessary for defending the country by ourselves.

Our Party's military line of self-defence, whose main contents are to train the whole army into a cadre army, modernize the whole army, arm the entire people and turn the whole country into a fortress, has been successfully implemented. Consequently our People's Army has grown into a one-beats-a-hundred army of cadres further trained politically and ideologically and in military technique, into an invincible revolutionary armed force fully equipped with powerful offensive and defensive means. The entire people, workers and peasants included, carry arms with them and they know how to fire rifles. They, accelerating socialist construction with a hammer or sickle in one hand and a rifle in the other, are getting ready to destroy the enemy at one blow when he pounces upon them. Furthermore, we have built impregnable defences throughout the country and even fortified all the major production establishments.

It was thanks to the powerful all-people, all-nation defence system that our people could capture the U.S. imperialists' armed spy ship "Pueblo" that invaded our territorial waters, shoot down their large-size spy plane "EC-121" which intruded into our air space, frustrate the machinations of the U.S. imperialists and their stooges for new war provocation at every step and defend the security of the fatherland and the gains of socialism.

It goes without saying that our Party and people are now striving to increase defence potential. We increase the nation's defence potential to defend the country, the nation and the gains of socialism from the aggression of the U.S. imperialists and the Japanese militarists.

Today, the U.S. imperialists instigate the south Korean puppet clique to commit ceaselessly aggressive provocations against the northern half of the Republic. The Japanese militarists revived by U.S. imperialism are intensifying more overtly their manoeuvrings to reinvade our country.

Our Party and people have consistently advocated peace and have done their best to maintain and consolidate peace. But our people never allow anyone to attack us. If the enemies attack us by force of arms we will destroy them to a man so that they cannot return alive, and if the U.S. imperiaists and the Japanese militarists dare to ignite an aggressive war in our country the entire north and south Korean people, united as one, will annihilate the aggressors in Korea by waging a life-and-death struggle.

FLOWERING SOCIALIST NATIONAL CULTURE

The great idea of *Juche* is brilliantly embodied in the sphere of building socialist culture, too.

Comrade Kim Il Sung said as follows:

"...The Government of the Republic, adhering firmly to the *Juche* idea of the Workers' Party of Korea, will continue to forcefully strive to step up the development of the country's science and technology and build a socialist culture." (Ibid., p. 591.)

Basing himself upon the *Juche* idea, the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung advanced in each stage and each period of development of the revolution the most scientific and revolutionary policies to develop quickly all spheres of socialist national culture — education, science, literature and art, language, public health and physical culture and sports — and correctly organized and guided the struggle for their implementation.

Under his wise leadership our country introduced the universal compulsory nine-year technical education, the most advanced educational system, under which general education and polytechnical education, education and productive labour are closely combined and all the younger generation get free education until they reach the working age. And preparations are now on to enforce universal compulsory ten-year education in the near future.

Comprehensive bases of training cadres have been firmly built up in all localities as well as in the centre. Our country has more than 500,000 scientists, technicians and specialists of its own, whose number will increase to over one million in the near future.

Our socialist pedagogy has been perfected by Comrade Kim Il Sung, with the result that *Juche* and the working-class line have been definitely established in school education and the scientific and theoretical levels of education have been elevated still higher.

Our country is pushing ahead with the work of bringing up children under state and public care. Creches and kindergartens have been set up everywhere in our country, where all the preschool-age children are growing up healthily getting all sorts of protection and education given at state and public expense.

Faithfully following the policy of firmly establishing *Juche* in scientific research work our scientists have directed their efforts to the research work for increasing the independence of the national economy, and thereby succeeded in solving many scientific and technical problems including the methods of obtaining vinalon from lime stone and fibre from reed, making iron by use of anthracite and producing fertilizer by gasification of anthracite and made a great contribution to the socialist construction of the country. They are now directing their main efforts to the settlement of scientific and technical problems to be solved for further increasing the *Juche* character of industry and developing the technological revolution onto a higher stage and, at the same time, are exploring energetically new scientific and technical fields.

Our writers and artists have created numerous revolutionary works depicting our people's heroic deeds in struggle by splendidly embodying the method of socialist realism in the production of their works. With the participation of working masses in literary

and art activities, literature and art have developed rapidly. We have implemented the line of building a revolutionary, popular national culture while struggling against cultural infiltration by imperialism and the trends of restorationism, with the result that culture socialist in content and national in form is in full bloom.

With the splendid embodiment of the great *Juche* idea our country has turned into a land of education where all the people study, into a land where science and socialist literature and art are flowering and developing in an all-round way, and into the most advanced country where all people lead a happy, cultured life, getting free education and medical service.

MARKED PROGRESS IN STRUGGLE FOR NATIONAL REUNIFICATION AND SOUTH KOREAN REVOLUTION

The *Juche* idea of the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has been embodied also in the struggle for the national reunification and the south Korean revolution, producing fine fruits.

Basing himself upon the *Juche* idea, Comrade Kim Il Sung set forth not only the line of independent national reunification but the scientific strategic and tactical measures for its realization.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"Three kinds of revolutionary forces should be well prepared in order to achieve the victory of our revolution: first, the revolutionary forces of north Korea; second, the revolutionary forces of south Korea; and third, the international revolutionary forces." (Ibid., p. 87.)

The strategic line of strengthening the internal revolutionary forces by increasing the revolutionary forces of the northern half of the Republic and south Korean revolutionary forces and of cementing solidarity with the international revolutionary forces is the correctest strategic line designed to hasten national reunification and the nation-wide victory of the Korean revolution by maturing the subjective and objective factors of the revolution. Only when the Korean people strengthen the revolutionary force of the northern half, the most important motive force of the whole Korean revolution, and the south Korean revolutionary force in direct charge of the south Korean revolution, they can develop actively the struggle for national reunification by themselves, and when they strengthen solidarity with the international revolutionary forces they can further isolate and weaken U.S. imperialism and open up a favorable phase for national reunification.

With the thorough implementation of the line of strengthening the three major revolutionary forces, the internal revolutionary forces which should drive U.S. imperialism out of south Korea and achieve national reunification grew and strengthened markedly and international solidarity with the Korean revolution increased greatly.

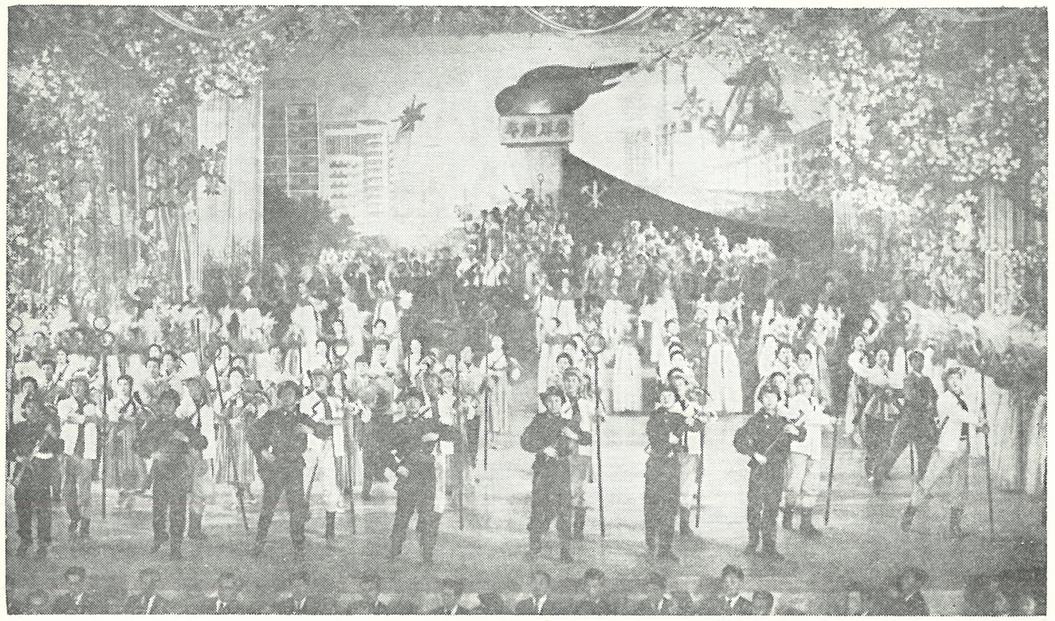
Particularly, the revolutionary base of the northern half of the Republic, as a reliable guarantee for national reunification, has been firmly consolidated politically, economically and militarily. The people in the northern half have made full preparations to meet the great revolutionary event of national reunification; they have built up the material basis for rehabilitating the wrecked south Korean economy and improving rapidly the deteriorated life of the people in the southern half in the future after the country's reunification. The great achievements made by the people of the northern half in the revolution and construction exert a tremendous revolutionary influence on the south Korean people who are under U.S. imperialist colonial rule and inspire them to a powerful anti-U.S., national-salvation struggle; they tipped the balance of forces between revolution and counter-revolution in Korea more in favour of the revolution.

Today, the south Korean revolutionary forces have grown into reliable ones and the revolutionary struggle of the south Korean people is expanding and developing day by day.

The great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung made a scientific analysis and generalization of the social and economic relations and contradictions of south Korean society and the historical experiences and lessons of the Korean and world revolutions and put forward the well-defined systematic theory on the south Korean revolution, a theory imbued with the *Juche* idea, thereby brightly illumining the path of struggle for the south Korean revolutionaries and people to follow.

The south Korean revolutionaries and people have waged a vigorous struggle to carry through the line and strategic and tactical policies set forth by Comrade Kim Il Sung for the south Korean revolution and brought about a marked progress in the revolutionary movement. From valuable experiences and lessons gained in their hard-fought revolutionary battle they have learned that only when they are guided by the great *Juche* idea in their struggle they can accomplish the south Korean revolution and the cause of national reunification with flying colours, and founded the Revolutionary Party for Reunification, a revolutionary and militant Marxist-Leninist Party, which takes the great *Juche* idea as its only guiding idea. Thanks to the founding of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification, the south Korean revolutionary movement has entered a new era of glorious victory when it is guided by the great *Juche* idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung.

Today the south Korean revolutionaries and people, taking the great *Juche* idea as their only guide, are now building up firmly the internal forces of the south Korean revolution and further expanding and developing their revolutionary struggle. They are unfolding energetic revolutionary struggles, combining various forms and methods of struggle—the political and economic struggles, the legal, semi-legal and illegal struggles, the violent and non-violent struggles, the large- and small-scale struggles—in keeping with



A scene of the epilogue of the music and dance epic "Glorious Is Our Fatherland"

the specific conditions of south Korea.

Struggle has become more organized and rooted among the workers and peasants, the main force of the revolution, and involves the broad sections of people. The south Korean revolutionaries and people are waging indomitable struggles against the enemy in town and country, underground and in mountains, even in prisons and at "courts," further extending their revolutionary organizations.

Meanwhile, the international solidarity with our revolution is strengthening with each passing day. Hundreds of millions of people of the world extend their enthusiastic support and encouragement to the struggle of the Korean people for the independent national reunification and strongly demand the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggression army from south Korea.

Under the revolutionary banner of the great *Juche* idea the entire Korean people will certainly chase the U.S. imperialists out of south Korea and reunify the country. When the south Korean revolution emerges victorious and the country is reunified, the entire north and south Korean people under the wise guidance of the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung will build a new, strong and rich, prosperous Korea good to live in by their joint efforts and wisdom.

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The great *Juche* idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of our Party and the Korean people, is indeed the great Marxist-Leninist guiding idea on the revolution and construction, whose validity and vitality have been confirmed.

Only victory and glory are in store for our Party and people who are advancing along the road indicated by the great *Juche* idea.

Holding aloft the revolutionary banner of the *Juche* idea, the banner of Marxism-Leninism, our Party and people will, in the future, too, as in the past, march dynamically toward the nation-wide victory of our revolution and the bright future of socialism and communism, closely rallied around the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

Working People Strive to Fulfil Six-Year Plan ahead of Set Time

Our people all are excited with joy especially this spring.

Why, then?

The reason is clear; our people mark this spring the 60th birthday of their fatherly Leader, the greatest national holiday.

To greet significantly this April with loyalty to the Leader all our working people have worked day and night, performing brilliant labour feats.

They have worked hard, out of a single desire to meet his 60th birthday as the happiest national holiday on which they wish him good health and a long life and show their intense loyalty.

Their working places were decorated with the placard bearing the militant slogan: "Let us fulfil the two years' assignments of the Six-Year Plan by April 15, the happiest national holiday!" This slogan is an expression of the one and only will of the entire working people to carry out before the set time the grand programme of the Six-Year Plan advanced by the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung at the historic Fifth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Full of pride in having prepared, under the slogan of fidelity, their precious gifts of loyalty to the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, our working people mark the holiday, singing of his infinitely warm parental love.

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People in this country boast of their loyalty to the fatherly Leader. The working class at the Huichon Machine-tool Plant in particular are proud of their loyalty; they have turned out 10,000 machine tools and thus made the first breach for the fulfilment of the three major tasks of technological revolution set forth by the Leader.

Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"...Whether the task of technological revolution, the central task of the Six-Year Plan, is carried out to satisfaction or not largely depends on the domain of the machine-building industry."

Taking to heart the teaching of the respected and beloved Leader, the working class at Huichon made up their mind early last year to produce 10,000 machine tools as a gift of loyalty in honour of his 60th birthday.

By then they had turned out only 200-300 machine tools at most a month. So it was no easy matter to make 10,000 machine tools a year.

In February last year, when the whole plant was having discussions about how to produce 10,000 machine tools, the fatherly Leader called on the workers there. He expressed his support for their bold initiative and kindled the torch of new technical innovation for them.

Holding high the torch of new technical innovation kindled by the Leader, the working class at Huichon vigorously started the struggle to turn out 10,000 machine tools.

They met with many difficulties but undauntedly fought on with a single mind to be loyal to the Leader.

They prepared 50,000 blueprints in over 20 days through closer creative cooperation. They strove to save time for the processing of lathe beds; they shortened the time for feeding materials to the planer from 30 minutes to only five by fixing an auxiliary table to their machine separately.

New tools were introduced in rough planing to cut materials more deeply and quickly.

The first try is not always successful. The machine-makers who pledged to the Leader to dedicate even their lives if necessary, undauntedly made every failure a stepping stone to success, in the indomitable revolutionary spirit of the anti-Japanese forerunners who were infinitely faithful to the great Leader.

They strove day and night to process more, incandescing their tools with their loyalty.

In this course, the speed of bed processing increased not 2-fold but 3 to 4-fold.

Processing workshop was not the only workshop engaged in such a hot battle.

The heat treatment workshop had to stop operations for 24 hours to repair its furnace.

Watching the furnace cooling down, workers felt a pang at the thought: "If we fail to turn out 10,000 machine tools we pledged to the Leader to make, how can we justly claim to be his soldiers?"

Now they could not wait idly till the furnace chilled. So they took every possible safety measure and vyingly jumped into the chilling furnace. After a fierce battle, they succeeded in repairing the furnace in an hour, instead of 24 hours. Thus, the fight resumed to reach the goal of production of 10,000 machine tools.

This is one of the emotional episodes about the heroic deeds done by the working class at Huichon who have carried through their pledge to the Leader, by overcoming multitudes of difficulties and trials.

Amidst these strenuous struggles, they came to manufacture with their own efforts effective installations such as apron processing automatic streamline and casting flatcar streamline. They built 850 machine tools in August and exceeded the annual production level of 10,000 machine tools. In this way, they produced 10,000 machine tools in honour of the 60th birthday of the Leader.

The whole country instantly followed the torchlight of new technical innovation kindled by the great Leader for the working class at Huichon.

In the thick of a grand struggle, the machine-makers at Kusong, holding high the torchlight of Huichon, exceeded in August last the annual production level of 10,000 machine tools, and thus fulfilled three months ahead of schedule the yearly plan which was set 2.4 times higher than the result of the previous year.

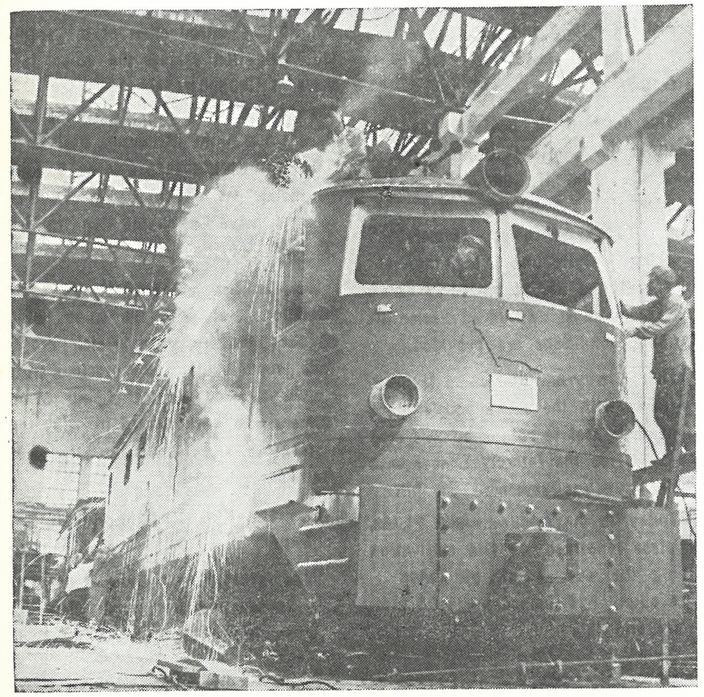
Taking their cue from Huichon and Kusong, the machine-tool plants in Mangyongdae, Hamhung, Chongjin, Wonsan and other parts scored brilliant successes in turning out machine tools.

The workers of the Kiyang Tractor Plant and the Automobile "Sungri" (Victory) Combined Factory who play an important part in the rural technical revolution fulfilled the two years' production assignments of the Six-Year Plan before April 15, and thereby repaid with their loyalty the warm love of the fatherly Leader who is solicitous to supply the countryside with more tractors and lorries faster so as to deliver peasants from arduous labour as early as possible.

There must be powerful industrial backing for the development of a country, and the history of industry begins with machinery. The features of the machine-makers who vigorously promote the development of our heavy industry are the very features of our advancing fatherland, and the loyalty of those who keep the fatherly Leader's far-reaching plan in bloom is the symbol of the intense loyalty of the Korean working class to the Leader.

Vigorous labour efforts were made to greet with intense loyalty the 60th birthday of the fatherly Leader also at the pit face thousands of feet

Workers of the Chollima Kim Jong Tae Electric Locomotive Factory in Pyongyang stepping up production of electric locomotives



underground, on the railways and at the felling ground in the primeval forests ever untrodden.

Affected by the lofty virtue of the fatherly Leader who is so concerned for the better life of our people, the weavers also performed brilliant labour feats.

A weaver of the Kusong Textile Mill who tended 84 looms now operates 108 looms.

By the Leader's 60th birthday, she has fulfilled her quota of the Six-Year Plan at 500 per cent. It is hardly possible to tell here all about how she has been able to do this.

Here is a story about her sincere endeavour to remain true to the fatherly Leader's instructions.

She volunteered to tend 108 looms. But, sometimes she found it hard to do so. She was afraid lest she should fail to handle so many looms, even wondering if she was subjective.

Around that time the fatherly Leader called her to attend a function at the Centre. He introduced her to cadres accompanying him, saying that she is a "multi-loom operator of the Kusong Textile Mill," and highly praised her for what she had done. And he brightly lit up the way ahead of her, teaching her that she should not waver in face of hardships but believe in the Party and have firm faith.

Fresh strength sprang up within her. With the help of the Party she strove hard to find the method of tending 108 looms.

In order to find out a new circulation route which would enable her to return to the starting point in the shortest possible time while looking after both sides of each loom, she had spent many a night, doing a circuit among trees in a moon-lit park or running up and down the stairs of her dormitory at midnight.

The excessive strain on the nerves and undue fatigue often beat her down, but she would rise to her feet to continue her efforts, gaining strength from the teaching of the fatherly Leader who called her, a nameless weaver, and gave her a kind teaching.

At last she invented the circulation route shaped like the letter "S."

Today the ranks of multi-loom and multi-spindle tenders are expanding; they perform one miracle after another day by day, to live up to the fatherly Leader's love warmer than the sunshine.

Thanks to the devoted service of the weavers who are infinitely loyal to the Leader, our textile industry has made a big stride forward, registering a remarkable increase not only in textile output but also in its assortment. Its quality has also been improved markedly.

The co-op fields also yielded bumper crops as a gift to the fatherly Leader.

Our peasants had been subjected to all sorts of exploitation and oppression for long and their desire was to own land and farm it for themselves.

This desire of the peasants has been realized for the first time thanks to Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the revolution. Not only that. Today our co-op farmers are working joyfully and living the happiest, cultured life at the co-op farms where the most advanced scientific farming conditions are provided.

That is why our Red co-op farmers, together with the entire people, have done their best to reap a bumper crop as a gift to the fatherly Leader with their boundless reverence for him.

Today, in the Yoldusamcholli Plains, a place renowned for rice cultivation along the west coast, per *chongbo* rice output has jumped up to 6.5-7 ton mark and this is not the case only with a few farms or some *chongbo* of land.

Co-op farmers in Mundok harvested 7 tons of rice per *chongbo* on an average from 15,000 *chongbo* of paddy fields. The double Chollima workteam No. 10 of the Ryongo Co-operative Farm produced 9.2 tons of rice per *chongbo*, while the Tongsa Co-operative Farm reaped 14.2 tons of rice per *chongbo* from seven *chongbo*.

Sukchon county harvested 6.5 tons of rice per *chongbo* on an average from 17,000 *chongbo* of paddy fields.

The Yoldusamcholli Plains is not the only one visited by a good harvest of rice. All plains of the country are visited by bumper rice crop as is rarely seen—from the Ryongchon Plains at the northwestern tip to the Unjon Plains in Chongju, Namuri Plains in Chaeryong and Pungdok Plains.

Our co-op farms have also gathered bumper harvest of maize which occupies a great proportion in the grain output of our country.

With the introduction of the sprinkler irrigation system the co-op farmers in Chunghwa county raised per-*chongbo* maize yield to 7-8 tons and the farmers in Kindung Plains in Hwangju county reaped over 5 tons of maize per *chongbo* by effecting comprehensive mechanization in dry fields.

Despite the unfavourable weather conditions last year, the co-op fields of our country yielded rich crops. This proud result is the precious fruit of the devoted service of our co-op farmers who worked hard to repay the warm love and utmost solicitude of the fatherly Leader.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"The great reserve for increased grain production lies in dry-field irrigation and early transplantation of rice. All possibilities should be geared to the speedy expansion of the area of irrigated dry-fields, more cold-bed seedlings planted, tractor drivers brought to have a higher sense of responsibility, and thus rice transplantation wound up by May 25."

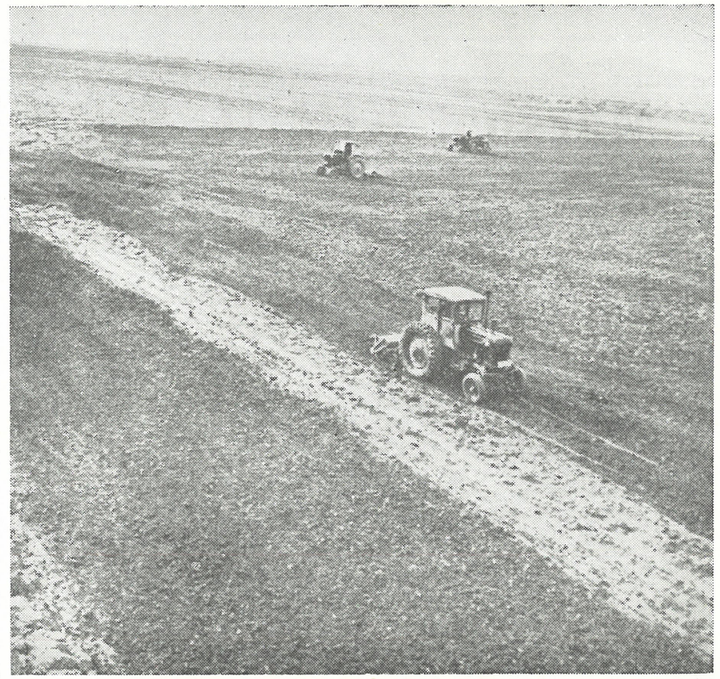
Infinitely true to the earnest teaching of the fatherly Leader, the entire co-op farmers added fuel to the fierce flames of "100-day battle" from the outset of last year.

The co-op farmers across the country introduced irrigation in 50,000 *chongbo* of dry fields at one go in one spring season, ameliorated land and made substantial preparations for farming.

There are many touching stories. The co-op farmers in the Nyongbyon Plains who turned out in the Chongchon-gang River irrigation project removed 350,000 cubic metres of earth and built 130-*ri*-long waterway in a single month; the members of the Chilli Co-operative Farm in Sukchon county improved 1,000 *chongbo* of land and sowed seed on the rice-seedling beds in March when there was still thin ice over the paddy fields; the tractor drivers of Hwangju county effected comprehensive mechanization in 5,000 *chongbo* of farm land giving full scope to their creative initiative.

Boundless loyalty to the fatherly Leader was displayed in honour of his 60th birthday by the soldiers standing guard over the defence line of the fatherland, scientists and professors and children, by south Korean revolutionaries and people who are fighting against U.S. imperialism and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique and by the 600,000 Korean nationals in Japan who are fighting to defend the democratic, national rights and for the reunification and prosperity of the fatherland.

The hearts of the entire Korean people who take pride in the gifts they have prepared in honour of the 60th birthday of the fatherly Leader are pulsating with one common desire to remain faithful to the last to Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, and they wish heartily him good health and a long life.



Co-op farmers sowing seeds in the co-op field where spring has set in

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considerable extent and our women delivered for good from the burdens of household chores and enjoy a new happier and worthier life.

Indeed, our people who live and make revolution under the guidance of the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung is a happy and glorious people.

Hence, our people entrust their destiny entirely to him and renew their firm resolve to become the true revolutionary soldiers of the Leader, who defend him with lives in all storms and tempests and carry out his instructions to the end through thick and thin.

Only brilliant victory, glory and happiness are in store for our people who are forging ahead under the warm care and wise leadership of the great Leader.

For the permanent prosperity of the fatherland and the happiness of the generations to come, for the victory of the world revolution, the entire Korean people heartily wish good health and a long life to the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, peerless patriot, national hero, ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander and one of the great leaders of the international communist and working-class movements.

"Marshal KIM IL SUNG Is the Sun of Our Nation and the Great Leader Who Illumines Brightly Our Path"

Today the feelings of respect and reverence for Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of our Party and the Korean people, are mounting higher and higher among the south Korean people, and they are vigorously unfolding an anti-U.S., anti-Japanese, anti-fascist struggle for the south Korean revolution and national reunification under the revolutionary banner of the Leader's great *Juche* idea.

"HE IS, INDEED, THE HOPE AND SUN OF OUR NATION"

"I had the highest honour of seeing the Leader at the congress of the working class graced with the presence of Premier Kim Il Sung, the peerless genius, whom the masses of the people in south Korea always look up to as the sun of the nation," said head of the delegation of the south Korean workers to the Fifth Congress of the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea, and stressed:

"Premier Kim Il Sung, the brilliant Leader, is indeed the salvation star of liberty and emancipation for us south Korean working class and people and the great Leader of the working class who brightly lights up for us working class the path to socialism and communism, the ideal of mankind."

A south Korean worker emphasized: "Only Marshal Kim Il Sung, the legendary hero and ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander, can represent the Korean people" and said: "Marshal Kim Il Sung is the sun of the nation, who gives us hope and courage and shows us our road. He is an outstanding politician possessed of uncommon intelligence and abilities and the fatherly Leader shouldering the destiny of the entire Korean people."

A south Korean revolutionary told a large crowd about the happy, worthwhile life the workers and peasants in the northern half of the Republic live as masters of the country under the wise guidance of Marshal Kim Il Sung. And he, expressing unbounded reverence for the great Leader, said full of emotion: "Marshal Kim Il Sung is the sun of our nation and the great Leader who illumines brightly our path."

A peasant surnamed Li residing in Obong-ri, Dukryang sub-county, Bosong county, South Cholla Province, boundlessly adoring the Leader, said to people: "It is none other than Premier Kim Il Sung that will make us peasants fare well. Only under his government can we farmers live well."

Stating that the socialist system in the northern half of the Republic is an outcome of the lofty will and distinguished intelligence of General Kim Il Sung, an inhabitant in south Korea said as follows:

"A bitter life of slave was forced upon our nation by Japanese imperialism for 36 years. That was the greatest national misery ever in our history of five thousand years.... General Kim Il Sung, the hero of the nation, appeared like the lodestar before us in the grim days when our land was full of despair and resentment! He was the beacon and light for the nation. General Kim Il Sung crushed Japanese imperialism, the enemy of the nation, in the snow-covered thick forests of the Changpai range stretching out for a thousand *ri* and the vast wilderness of Manchuria and worked off the grudge of the nation! He is, indeed, the hope and sun of our nation."

The south Korean people are now realizing more profoundly the great revolutionary ideas, sagacity of guidance and high virtues of Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, and their ardent feeling of reverence for him is running higher and higher with irresistible force.

BRIGHT BEACON ILLUMINING THE PATH TO VICTORY OF THE SOUTH KOREAN REVOLUTION AND NATIONAL REUNIFICATION

Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the Korean people, has advanced the strategic and tactical lines of the south Korean revolution and national reunification to show clearly the path to be taken by the south Korean people groaning under the colonial rule of U.S. imperialism.

Marshal Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"For the accomplishment of the cause of national reunification, it is essential to chase out the U.S. imperialist aggressors, the main obstacle to the reunification of our fatherland, from south Korea and liquidate their colonial rule, overthrow the present military fascist dictatorship and win the victory of the revolution. When a true people's regime is thus established in south Korea, the reunification of our fatherland will be smoothly attained by the united efforts of the socialist forces in the northern half of the Republic and the patriotic, democratic forces in south Korea."

Infinitely revering Marshal Kim Il Sung who expounded the lines of the south Korean revolution and national reunification, a resident in south Korea remarked: "Only Premier Kim Il Sung can set forth such a clear-cut line of the north-south reunification. His line gives me immense courage and strength."

After studying the report delivered by Marshal Kim Il Sung to the Fifth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea, a south Korean worker said:

"It is the most reasonable to drive out the Yanks, overthrow the Pak Jung Hi's 'regime' and set up a genuine democratic regime in south Korea and reunify the country in a peaceful manner by the regime and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

"It is based thoroughly on the consciousness of independence and fully reflects our will.

"Now I know full well that we should fight the Yanks and the Pak Jung Hi's 'regime.' I will fight to knock down these scoundrels."

An inhabitant of south Korea impressively said that the lines and measures for the south Korean revolution and national reunification set forth by Marshal Kim Il Sung are "a great weapon and banner which inspire the south Korean people with confidence of victory and fighting spirit."

A south Korean revolutionary had it to say:

"...We will firmly arm ourselves with the great revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the firm guarantee for the victory of the south Korean revolution, and strive vigorously to rally the entire south Korean people closely around the Leader. And, when time comes we will ignite the powder magazine of revolution with an all-people uprising, throw the enemies all into fire and accomplish the revolution victoriously."

Having studied the works and biography of the Leader, a south Korean worker took the road of revolution. He was arrested while propagating the revolutionary ideas of the Leader among the workers, put to mediaeval tortures and at last sentenced to death by the enemy.

In his "last report from the prison" addressed to his revolutionary organization, he wrote:

"...The enemies who passed a death sentence on me are feeble-minded men who tremble with unrest and fear to think that they are guilty and have no future. But I am a spiritually strong man who lives today and will live for good on the ideas of the Leader.

"People, who have equipped themselves with the Leader's ideas, never die. But, people die with no faith when they fail to arm themselves with his ideas. This is the sum-total of my life.

"If the fatherland gives me a right to say proudly that in my life I have done something for the embodiment of the Leader's ideas, how happy I shall be! Happiness, I well know, lies not in making a fortune or living in a fine residence, but in fighting faithfully on as a soldier of General Kim Il Sung, the sun of the nation. To enjoy such happiness, I will fight on even for a few hours before my execution...."

No one can dampen the south Korean people's fervent feelings of reverence for and loyalty to the great Leader Marshal Kim Il Sung and their burning determination to fight on to accomplish the south Korean revolution and achieve national reunification, looking up to the northern half of the Republic as the beacon of hope and gaining from it strength to annihilate the enemy.

The struggle of the south Korean people is sure to win and their ardent desires to make revolution under the guidance of Marshal Kim Il Sung and lead a happy life in his benevolent bosom will certainly be realized.

The Bosom of the Fatherly Leader Is Boundlessly Broad and Warm

The feeling of infinite respect for and intense fidelity to Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of our Party and the Korean people, is running higher and higher with each passing day among the 600,000 Korean nationals in Japan as well as the people in the homeland.

From the days of national misery when they were stateless the Korean nationals in Japan have looked up to the great, benevolent Leader Marshal Kim Il Sung as the national liberator, a beacon of hope and the sun of the nation.

Compatriot Kim Man Jong who suffered all sorts of hardships in Japan after he had been taken by the Japanese imperialists to Japan for forced labour service wrote recalling the moving stories he heard in the days of Japanese imperialist rule:

"...What gave us hope of life and strength was the news of victory from Mt. Paekdu-san.

"People said that General Kim Il Sung goes several thousand *ri* a night joining and disjoining mountains by the art of shrinking the earth and that he makes grains from sand and a bomb from a branch of a tree, and crosses rivers by a sheet of paper....

"The news about the anti-Japanese armed struggle led by General Kim Il Sung touched our hearts deeply....

"We talked about him gleefully as if we saw a ray of the sun in pitch darkness, whenever we got together, and lived with hope."

Hwang, deputy head of the Machiya sub-branch, Arakawa branch of the Chongryon (Association of Korean Residents in Japan), impressively said: "During national ruin we, at the news of General Kim Il Sung wiping out the Japanese imperialists around Mt. Paekdu-san, gained infinite courage and strength from the anti-Japanese armed struggle led by Marshal Kim Il Sung, though we were slaving."

"HIGHEST HONOUR AND PRIDE"

Marshal Kim Il Sung whom the Korean nationals in Japan ardently adored, regained the fatherland for the Korean people and opened up the road to new life for them.

The letter to the Leader adopted by the central meeting of the Koreans in Japan held in celebration of the 23rd anniversary of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea said:

"As we have the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the glorious fatherland, led by the great Leader, we Koreans in Japan who were subjected to all manner of insults and maltreatment in the alien land in the past have been able to have the high honour of being the overseas citizens of a dignified socialist industrial state and of being the successors to the glorious revolutionary traditions by carrying on splendidly the patriotic work of the Chongryon.

"From our long experience of life we 600,000 Korean nationals in Japan know full well that our worthwhile life of today or bright morrow is unthinkable apart from the wise leadership and warm solicitude of you Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, and we are filled with a burning determination to be single-heartedly faithful to you entrusting our destiny entirely to you."

Compatriot Li Song Sul wrote:

"People say the sun is the motive power which brings everything to life. However, when our people bemoaned statelessness it seemed even the sun lost its shine and was powerless....

"Today, however, our people have the prosperous socialist fatherland which boasts of its might to the whole world. How wise the guidance of our Leader is!....

"It is the highest honour and pride for us to live in the age of Marshal Kim Il Sung and enjoy his guidance."

Compatriot Ryang Gon Wu residing in Kanagawa prefecture said:

"Because our Leader restored our fatherland and shows profound care for us, we can have a strong organization like the Chongryon and lead a proud life in this foreign country, keeping schools, publishing newspapers and defending our rights. If our lot was the same as the lot of Koreans in the past we might die a dog's death. Can we compare the height of mountains with the love of the Leader? We are happy indeed!"

"OUR PREMIER'S LOVE IS DEEPER THAN PARENTAL LOVE"

Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, always shows warm love and paternal solicitude for the Korean nationals in Japan like a real father who thinks more of the children living far apart than the ones under his roof.

Having received the 42nd installments of educational aid funds and scholarships sent by Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, the Central Standing Committee of the Chongryon wrote in its letter addressed to him:

"You, the fatherly Leader, who always look after the children of the Korean nationals in Japan, an alien land, with profound, warm care have sent us a large sum of educational aid funds and scholarships amounting to 1,498,392,800 yen in Japanese currency on five occasions this year, 1971, alone.

"The educational aid funds and scholarships sent by the respected and beloved Leader on 42 occasions from 1957, a difficult year of postwar rehabilitation and construction, up to this day, total 11,216,340,433 yen in Japanese currency.

"Greatly inspired by the paternal love and great solicitude shown by the fatherly Leader again, we, the entire Korean nationals and the young students and children in Japan, are now full of a feeling of loyalty to and respect for the great Leader and our hearts are swelling with the boundless honour of and pride in having you as our Leader."

Looking back over the day when they received the first installments of educational aid funds and scholarships sent by the Leader, a compatriot residing in Hiroshima said:

"We shall never forget the very day to the end of our life. That day we shouted for joy and shed tears of gratitude, hugging each other.

"'We have the benevolent Leader who always looks after us and the glorious socialist fatherland!'—this thought gave us new strength."

A widow whose five sons and daughters study on the scholarships remitted by the Leader said in tears:

"We cannot even imagine the happiness of today without the warm love and solicitude of our Premier. Our Premier's love is deeper than parental love."

The letter to Marshal Kim Il Sung, the fatherly Leader, adopted by the central meeting of the Korean women in Japan held in congratulation of the Fourth Congress of the Korean Democratic Women's Union said:

"We participants in the meeting respectfully offer the highest honour and warmest thanks, in reflection of the unfathomable reverence and fidelity of the Korean women in Japan, to you Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, the great sun of the nation, benefactor to the entire Korean women, who have always led the Korean people along the one road of victory and glory, brought up the Korean women into the masters of the country, into the reliable workers for the revolution and construction and give us women living in the foreign country boundless happiness and bright future."

The Korean nationals in Japan say in unison:

"Mankind has a long history and there are many countries on the globe. But we don't know yet such a leader as Marshal Kim Il Sung who looks after even the overseas compatriots with great care and leads them along the highway to victory."

"I WILL CARRY OUT WITHOUT FAIL HIS TEACHINGS EVEN IF MY BONES ARE BROKEN"

Today the 600,000 Korean nationals in Japan never forget the benevolence of Marshal Kim Il Sung and are aflame with one mind to repay his paternal solicitude with loyalty.

The letter to the great Leader Marshal Kim Il Sung adopted by the central meeting of the Korean youth and students in Japan which was held to implement the programmatic teachings given by him at the Sixth Congress of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea, said:

"The entire functionaries of the Korean Youth League in Japan and the entire Korean youth and students in Japan solemnly pledge to live up to the high expectation and warm love of you, the fatherly Leader, without fail by whole-heartedly upholding and thoroughly carrying into effect the report made by you, the great Leader Marshal Kim Il Sung, at the Fifth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea, your programmatic teachings given at the Sixth Congress of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea and your teachings given in your congratulatory message to the Ninth Congress of the Chongryon and thereby developing the League's work onto a higher stage."

A woman compatriot who had learned to read and write the Korean language after her 60th birthday and had read the "Selection of Kim Il Sung's Works" over and over again, resolved as follows:

"The Premier has not only changed the fatherland but brought us Koreans in Japan new spring.

"The words of the Premier are a beacon for my new life. Therefore, I will carry out without fail his teachings even if my bones are broken.

"Nothing is more honourable for us living in the present era than to strive to carry into practice the call of the Leader."

A letter to the Leader adopted by the meeting of the Chongryon functionaries commemorating the first anniversary of the report on the work of the Central Committee delivered by the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung to the Fifth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea said as follows:

"We will make the great *Juche* idea our firm world outlook and faith by studying more deeply the immortal works and teachings of you, the respected and beloved Leader Marshal Kim Il Sung, including the programmatic report made by you at the Fifth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea.

"We thereby will all thoroughly defend only the great revolutionary idea, the *Juche* idea, of the respected and beloved Leader, protect and guard the Leader politically and ideologically in whatever adversity and will be single-heartedly loyal to the Leader."

Cho, a member of the Nakabaru sub-branch committee, Kokura branch of the Chongryon headquarters of Hukuoka prefecture expressed his resolution:

"I would like to say that it is the sacred national duty of the entire functionaries of the Chongryon and Koreans in Japan to the fatherland and the Leader to live for the reunification of the fatherland and for national prosperity and flourish, if they live, and to die for the sake of the fatherland, if they die, under the wise guidance of the great Leader Marshal Kim Il Sung.

"We Koreans in Japan cannot talk about the worthwhile life of today and the hope of the future without doing this."

The boundless reverence for and loyalty to the respected and beloved Leader Marshal Kim Il Sung of the compatriots in Japan are based on their firm conviction and will and are not shaken in any adversity, and they are displayed fully in their life and patriotic work.

They sincerely wish the Leader good health and a long life with the feeling of reverence for him.

THE LINE OF INDEPENDENT, PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION OF OUR COUNTRY AND ITS VITALITY

It is the loftiest revolutionary duty of the entire Korean people and the supreme task of the nation which brooks no further delay, to put an end to the division of the country caused by the occupation of south Korea by U.S. imperialism and achieve the independent, peaceful reunification of the fatherland.

Owing to the occupation of south Korea by the U.S. imperialists, our country still remains divided into the north and the south and the reunification of the fatherland, the long-cherished desire of the nation, has not yet been achieved even today when a new generation has grown up; and our people have suffered from the national split for more than 27 years now.

As the days go by, the gulf between north and south Korea is growing wider in all spheres—political, economic and cultural—and even the national community is gradually disappearing.

Territorial partition and national split not only makes it impossible to enlist and utilize the country's resources and the people's wisdom and talents in a uniform way to promote the prosperity of the country and the welfare of the people but also has brought immeasurable misery and sufferings particularly to the south Korean people.

The only way to deliver the south Korean people from their present misery and sufferings and attain the coordinated development of the country is to drive out the U.S. imperialists who are occupying south Korea, one half of the territory of our fatherland, and reunify the divided country.

Basing himself on a sharp insight into the prevailing internal and external situation, Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, set forth the correctest line and proposals to realize the independent, peaceful reunification of the fatherland and has led our people along one road of victory.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"The basic line of national reunification maintained all along by the Government of our Republic is to reunify the north and south by the Korean people themselves independently on democratic principles without any interference of outside forces following the withdrawal of all foreign troops from south Korea." ("The Democratic People's Republic of Korea Is the Banner of Freedom and Independence for Our People and the Powerful Weapon of Building Socialism and Communism," Eng. ed., p. 94.)

The basic line of national reunification advanced by the great Leader of revolution Comrade Kim Il Sung is a brilliant embodiment of his great revolutionary idea, the idea of *Juche*, and a fair and only just line whose essential content consists in the principles of independence and democracy.

This line comprehensively clarifies the main contents of the proposals for peaceful reunification of the fatherland made all along by our Party in reflection of the general principles on the solution of internal affairs of a nation, the objective demand of the development of the revolution in our country and the unanimous will of the entire Korean people.

In accordance with the wise line of national reunification elucidated by the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, our Party and the Government of the Republic have consistently maintained that the peaceful reunification of the country should be realized by the Korean people themselves by way of establishing a unified central government representing people of all classes and strata through free democratic north-south general elections without interference by any outside forces after the withdrawal of all foreign troops from south Korea, and exerted all possible efforts to realize it.

Our Party and the Government of the Republic proposed time and again the establishment of a north-south Confederation as a transitional step, the conclusion of a peace agreement between north and south Korea, the realization of the travel of people, correspondence, economic and cultural exchanges and the negotiations and contacts between the north and the south, etc., and took positive measures to realize the proposals.

But the U.S. imperialists and their stooges have unconditionally opposed the line of our Party and the Government of our Republic for independent, peaceful reunification and their reasonable proposals for its realization, suppressed and killed at random south Korean people demanding the independent, peaceful reunification of the country and answered our sincere efforts with aggressive provocations each time.

Meanwhile, prattling about the "reunification by prevailing over communism" and "peaceful reunification programme", the rogues have madly tried to dampen the ever-growing trend towards independent, peaceful reunification in south Korea, cover up their treacherous acts and detract the attention of the world public supporting our proposals for national reunification.

This notwithstanding, our Party and the Government of the Republic have persisted in their efforts to achieve the reunification of the country, the long-cherished desire of the nation.

Last year alone, the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea put forward an 8-point programme in April, which reclarified the line of independent reunification of our Party and the Government of the Republic.

In his speech made on August 6 last year and his New Year Address of this year Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, again expounded the principled stand and line on the problem of national reunification and expressed the readiness to make contact at any time with all political parties including the Democratic Republican Party, social organizations and individual personages in south Korea.

In his answers to the questions raised by newsmen of the Japanese paper **Yomiuri Shimbun** on January 10, the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung reclarified the stand and line consistently adhered to by our Party and the Government of the Republic for achieving the country's independent, peaceful reunification, and put forth epochal proposals to conclude a peace agreement between the north and south and convene north-south political negotiations, as measures for eliminating the obstacle in the way of reunification and accelerating the cause of national reunification.

As wise measures based on a deep insight into the urgency of national reunification, these are another tangible expression of the persistent and sincere efforts of our Party and the Government of the Republic that have maintained all along the correctest line of reunification and have striven to find all possible methods for its materialization.

The line and proposals for the independent, peaceful reunification of the fatherland advanced by our Party and the Government of the Republic not only enjoy the absolute support from the whole north and south Korean people and the entire compatriots abroad but also have the unanimous sympathy of the peoples all over the world.

In particular, they have gripped firmly the hearts of the south Korean people and are displaying great vitality in south Korea.

Comrade Kim Il Sung said as follows:

"The line of our Party for peaceful national reunification is further awakening the workers, peasants, students, intellectuals and all other personages with national conscience in the southern half and is inspiring them to the struggle for national salvation against the foreign aggressive forces and the internal reactionary forces." (Kim Il Sung, Selection of Works, Korean ed., Vol. V, p. 214.)

As the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said, the south Korean people who have realized the justness of the line of independent, peaceful reunification through their life experiences and are immensely inspired by it, are exposing and denouncing the vicious scheme of the U.S. imperialists and their stooges, the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, for the perpetuation of the national split, and strongly demanding the reunification in the teeth of the brutal fascist oppression by the scoundrels.

Saying: "The reunification problem is the supreme task of the entire Korean people and the north-south reunification should be realized independently by the Koreans themselves as Premier Kim Il Sung clarified," the south Korean people are exposing and condemning the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique who are trying to perpetuate the split of the nation, croaking about "reunification under U.N. supervision," "reunification by prevailing over communism" and the like.

The south Korean people are also unanimous in saying that the line and proposals for national reunification set forth by Comrade Kim Il Sung are only just and reasonable ones and that they are a "great weapon and banner giving the south Korean people confidence in victory and fighting spirit," and maintain that it is a prerequisite to national reunification to chase out of south Korea as soon as possible the U.S. imperialists, the sworn enemy, who hamper national reunification and to overthrow the Pak Jung Hi puppet regime.

The south Korean people are well aware that the peaceful reunification of the country is inconceivable without driving out the U.S. imperialist aggression troops and without overthrowing the present puppets. They, therefore, have actively supported the line and proposals of our Party and the Government of the Republic for the reunification of the fatherland and waged an all-out anti-U.S., save-the-nation struggle for their realization.

Since right after the defeat of Japanese imperialism, the south Korean people had waged a persistent struggle against the occupation of south Korea by the U.S. imperialists and their aggressive policy and for the reunification of the country and their struggle eventually developed into the April 19 Popular Uprising in 1960, which shook the U.S. imperialists' colonial rule to its very foundation and marked a new turning-point in the advancement of the south Korean revolutionary movement.

After the April 19 Popular Uprising, even under the harsh military fascist dictatorship of the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, the broad masses of student youths and patriotic people, holding aloft the banner of "independent reunification," have unremittingly unfolded struggles

of various forms including the mass struggles against the treacherous "south Korea-Japan talks" and the "south Korea-Japan agreements."

The south Korean people are demanding more strongly than ever before the independent, peaceful reunification of the country and unfolding vigorously their all-out struggle against the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

Last year the workers, peasants and broad sections of other people fought resolutely against the long-term office scheme of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique; the south Korean student youths waged a mass struggle against the military fascistization of campus.

All these graphically show the unshakable determination of the south Korean people to sweep away the U.S. imperialists and their stooges, the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, win the freedom and liberation and achieve the independent reunification of the country, the cherished desire of the nation, following the line of revolution charted by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader.

The vitality of the line of our Party and the Government of the Republic for national reunification finds its manifestation particularly in the fact that the south Korean people's feelings of infinite loyalty to and immeasurable reverence for Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the Korean people, are running higher with each passing day and that their revolutionary struggle is developing in depth according to his great revolutionary ideas.

More and more south Korean people say emphatically: "We should rally closely around Premier Kim Il Sung and rise up" and "Our fatherland should be reunified under the leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung to come under the socialist system" and an increasing number of people boldly shout "Long live General Kim Il Sung!" and sing the "Song of General Kim Il Sung" openly before the masses.

The spirit of infinite loyalty to and unbounded reverence for the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung is a source of the invincible strength which enables the south Korean people to forcefully unfold the anti-U.S., national-salvation struggle for the reunification of the fatherland with an unshakable conviction in the teeth of the enemy's harsh fascist suppression, and a tangible expression of the great vitality of the line of our Party and the Government of the Republic for independent, peaceful reunification.

The south Korean people who are full of boundless reverence for and intense loyalty to the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung are fighting resolutely against the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique in town and country, underground, in mountains and even at the fascist "courts" of the enemy, looking up to the Leader as the sun of the nation.

The great vitality of the line of our Party and the Government of the Republic also finds its manifestation in the fact that it has roused the south Korean people to a powerful anti-U.S., national-salvation struggle and thus extremely isolated and weakened the counter-revolutionary forces and increased the revolutionary forces incomparably in south Korea.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"The south Korean revolution is going through trying ordeals, confronting the enemy's counter-revolutionary offensive. But the revolutionary forces are growing and the general trend of developments is turning against the counter-revolution and in favour of the revolution in south Korea." (Kim Il Sung, Selected Works, Eng. ed., Vol. IV, p. 400.)

Under the present condition in which the revolutionary base of the northern half of the Republic has been firmly built up politically, economically and militarily, the nation-wide victory of the Korean revolution and the realization of national reunification depend largely upon the growth of the revolutionary forces in south Korea. The revolutionary forces in south Korea can grow only through struggle.

In the course of the untiring struggle of the south Korean people inspired by the line of our Party and the Government of the Republic for independent, peaceful reunification, the revolutionary forces in south Korea have steadily grown and are strengthening as an invincible force capable of wiping out the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique and of achieving the decisive victory of the south Korean revolution.

The revolutionary struggles of the workers and peasants, the main detachment of revolution, have mounted higher and the people of all walks of life including the patriotic student youths united closer under the banner of anti-U.S., national-salvation, the banner of national reunification. In this course, revolutionaries firmly armed with the great revolutionary ideas of the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and infinitely faithful to him have grown in great numbers.

In accordance with the strategic and tactical lines of the south Korean revolution and national reunification elucidated by the great Leader of revolution Comrade Kim Il Sung, the south Korean revolutionaries have formed militant underground revolutionary organizations and legal and illegal mass organizations and have energetically conducted the work of uniting the workers, peasants, and progressive intellectuals closely around the Leader.

Moreover, the south Korean revolutionaries have vigorously organized and waged mass struggles and have further promoted the revolutionary awakening of the south Korean people and given them revolutionary tempering while steadily expanding and strengthening their ranks, properly combining different forms and methods of struggles—political and economic, legal and illegal, violent and non-violent—to suit the prevailing subjective and objective situation.

In the course of such arduous yet energetic struggle of the south Korean revolutionaries and patriots against the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi fascist gang there appeared the Revolutionary Party for Reunification, a Marxist-Leninist Party which is guided by the *Juche* idea of the great Leader of revolution Comrade Kim Il Sung and whose immediate fighting goal is to accomplish a people's democratic revolution in south Korea and realize the independent, peaceful reunification of the fatherland.

The founding of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification is a brilliant embodiment of the strategic idea of the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung on building in south Korea a strong Marxist-Leninist Party, the general staff of the revolution, and rallying workers and peasants around it to form the main detachment of the revolution and on building up powerful revolutionary forces by uniting the patriotic democratic forces of all strata around the main detachment.

The Revolutionary Party for Reunification has already spread its organizations all over south Korea and struck its roots deep among the toiling masses and has united around it workers and peasants, the basic classes of society, and people of all classes and strata including the progressive student youths, intellectuals and patriotic-minded armymen who are against the U.S. imperialists and their stooges.

All these clearly show that the south Korean revolutionary forces are steadily growing and strengthening even under the harsh repression by the U.S. imperialist aggressors and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique and, on the contrary, the counter-revolutionary forces are being isolated and weakened as the days go by.

The justness and great vitality of the line of our Party and the Government of the Republic for independent, peaceful reunification also find their vivid expression in the fact that in south Korea where the words peaceful reunification were a taboo in the past, people are now free to pronounce them, and the south Korean authorities that had been so doggedly opposed to national reunification and contact between the north and the south, found it unavoidable, though belated, to agree to hold preliminary talks between the Red Cross organizations of north and south Korea.

In his speech delivered on August 6th of last year the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung expounded once again the principled stand and line on the problem of national reunification. This was an epochal event which turned the internal and external situation of our country decisively in favour of the realization of the cause of independent, peaceful reunification of the fatherland.

As soon as the historic speech of the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung on August 6th was made public, the demand for realizing the contact and exchange between the north and the south and achieving the independent, peaceful reunification of the fatherland as early as possible grew rapidly as never before among the south Korean people, political parties, social organizations and individual personages and even among the compatriots abroad. Indeed, the aspirations for restoring the broken ties of the nation and reunifying the divided country grew with an irresistible force.

The south Korean authorities, unable to hold in check such a trend of the times, were compelled to agree to the contact between the north and the south in response to the patriotic appeal consistently made by our Party and the Government of the Republic.

Thus, the negotiation and contact were realized between the north and south Korean Red Cross organizations for the first time in 26 years.

The realization of the negotiation and contact between the north and the south through the north and south Korean Red Cross organizations, though belated and only an initial step in the light of the burning desire of the entire Korean people for reunification, is the fruit of the sincere efforts of our Party and the Government of the Republic and a great victory won by the south Korean people in their struggle for democratic freedom and the peaceful reunification of the country. It proves convincingly that those who fan the discord and antagonism between the north and the south and try to perpetuate the split of the country and the nation have become unable to hold out any longer.

Following closely the talks between the north and south Korean Red Cross organizations with deep interest, the entire Korean people unanimously hope to see the talks pave the way to pull down the barriers between the north and the south and materialize the peaceful reunification of the country.

Nevertheless, the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, the stooges of U.S. imperialism, scared at the trend towards reunification rapidly growing among the south Korean people, have declared the "state of emergency" with the nonexistent "threat of invasion of the south from the north" as their excuse and are subjecting the south Korean people to fascist suppression to repress the unanimous aspirations of the nation and reverse the trend of the times.

The declaration of the "state of emergency" is no more than a death-bed struggle of the doomed.

Even some of the reactionary ruling circles and reptile press in the United States and Japan say that the proclamation of the "state of emergency" in south Korea is not due to the "threat of invasion of the south from the north" but aims to smother the ever-growing discontent of the south Korean people caused by the acute economic crisis and suppress the demonstration struggle of student youths, the protest of the intellectuals and the resistance of the opposition parties.

But they can not save themselves from a serious crisis nor can they arrest the ever-growing aspirations of the south Korean people for the reunification of the country, no matter how madly they may cling to the fascist oppression.

In defiance of the enemy's desperate suppression, the south Korean people are intensifying their struggle to expedite the cause of the national reunification, for the bright future when they enjoy a happy life in the bosom of the fatherly Leader Marshal Kim Il Sung.

The Korean people who are closely united around their respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung with one mind and one will, have firmly equipped themselves with his revolutionary ideas and have risen as one, will surely accomplish the cause of the independent reunification of the fatherland.

ANTI-U.S. STRUGGLE IS IRRESISTIBLE TREND OF THE TIMES

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, taught as follows:

"Today the struggle of peoples against the U.S. imperialist policies of aggression and war has become a trend of the times that cannot be held in check." ("Report on the Work of the Central Committee to the Fifth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea," Eng. ed., p. 116.)

As taught by the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the flames of the struggle of the peoples against the U.S. imperialist policies of aggression and war are now flaring up furiously everywhere in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the rest of the world, and the ranks of the anti-U.S. struggle are expanding with each passing day.

Indeed, the history of the anti-imperialist struggle knows no other epoch when such broad masses of people as today turned out against imperialism.

Particularly in Asia which has become the main arena of the anti-imperialist revolutionary struggle, a hot battle is going on between the revolutionary people and the U.S. imperialist aggressive forces, hastening the final doom of the U.S. imperialists.

The Korean people, who humbled the pride of U.S. imperialism in the dust and put it on the downgrade in the last Fatherland Liberation War (June 1950-July 1953) under the wise guidance of the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, stand rock-firm in the forefront of the anti-U.S. struggle today as ever, frustrating the repeated provocations of U.S. imperialism for a new war at every step and driving it deeper into an irretrievable predicament.

The Chinese people are waging a vigorous anti-U.S. struggle for the liberation of Taiwan, the sacred territory of the People's Republic of China; the peoples of Viet Nam, Laos and Cambodia are inflicting one severe defeat after another on U.S. imperialist aggressors, smashing all their malicious manoeuvers for the expansion of the war.

A strong anti-U.S. struggle is on in Japan, Thailand and the Philippines, which have turned into aggressive military bases of U.S. imperialism, and the peoples of all other countries and parts in Asia are also out in the anti-U.S. struggle.

The U.S. imperialist policies of aggression and war have gone totally bankrupt owing to the anti-U.S. struggle of the peoples of the Asian continent and the U.S. imperialists suffered a fatal blow at the hands of the Asian peoples. So the rascals are now in a sad plight.

Also in Africa and Latin America the flames of the anti-U.S. revolutionary struggle are burning furiously.

The peoples of these areas, awakened through their experience of life, have resolutely turned out against the U.S. imperialists' cunning and heinous policies of aggression. Now Africa, once called a "dark continent" and Latin America, known as a "quiet backyard" in the past, have turned into continents of struggle and in these areas the colonial system of imperialism led by U.S. imperialism is falling apart beyond retrieve.

The U.S. imperialists are battered and mauled in all parts of the world where they set foot. In the United States the anti-war movement of the people and their struggle for freedom and democratic rights go on on a mass scale along with the widespread struggle of the Negroes against racial discrimination.

As seen above, the U.S. imperialists are attacked internally and externally and face an uncontrollable serious crisis.

All facts eloquently show that the struggle of the peoples against the U.S. imperialist policies of aggression and war has now become a trend of the times that cannot be held in check.

This is an inevitable outcome of the U.S. imperialist policies of aggression and war.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"U.S. imperialism is, indeed, the most heinous and shameless plunderer known to history. It is none other than the U.S. imperialists themselves who are causing peoples all over the world demanding peace, independence and progress, to unite in a common front against U.S. imperialism." (Kim Il Sung, Selected Works, Eng. ed., Vol. IV, p. 541.)

The U.S. imperialists have followed the policies of aggression and war in all parts of the world with a wild ambition of dominating the whole world. No place on earth is clear of the tentacles of aggression stretched out by U.S. imperialism and no country is free from the menace of U.S. imperialist aggression.

The U.S. imperialists have stretched out their crooked hands of aggression to all continents, all regions and all countries of the world, be it Asia or the Near and Middle East, Africa or Latin America, Europe or Oceania and big or small countries, and are maliciously challenging the cause of peace and democracy, national independence and socialism.

While openly pursuing the policies of aggression and war against the revolutionary socialist countries and the progressive newly-independent countries by mobilizing their own armed forces directly, the U.S. imperialists are putting down the national-liberation struggle of the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America in the most barbarous way.

The U.S. imperialists pursue their policies of aggression and war most frantically especially in Asia.

While stepping up aggression by mobilizing their armed forces directly, the U.S. imperialists are viciously manoeuvring to fulfil their wild ambition of aggression in Asia without difficulty mainly by means of "making Asians fight Asians" through the mobilization of Japanese militarism and other satellite countries and puppets in Asia in accordance with the notorious "new Asia policy."

The U.S. imperialist aggressors are madly increasing their armed forces to provoke a new war, playing a deceptive trick of the "reduction" of their aggressor army occupying south Korea. They are intensifying the war of aggression in South Viet Nam under the signboard of the plan for the "Vietnamization" of the war, expanding their armed aggression in Laos and Cambodia and ceaselessly perpetrating the aggressive acts of war against the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam.

Today the U.S. imperialists, while openly pursuing the

"Let us dismember the U.S. imperialists everywhere in the world!"

"policy of strength," are infiltrating into Asian, African and Latin American countries, talking about "peace" and "aid," with a sinister object of stamping out the national-liberation movement of the peoples in these areas and of subjugating newly-independent states by putting the noose of neo-colonialism around their necks.

Indeed, the aggressive ambition of the U.S. imperialists knows no bounds, and they leave no stones unturned to materialize their vicious aggressive designs. Since the end of World War II, not a day have the flames of aggression and war kindled by the U.S. imperialists stopped on earth and everywhere they set foot people have shed blood.

All this goes to show convincingly that U.S. imperialism is the most barbarous and shameless aggressor of modern times, the main force of aggression and war, the ringleader of world reaction, the bulwark of modern colonialism, the strangler of national liberation and independence and the disturber of world peace. So long as there remains U.S. imperialism, the ringleader of world reaction, on earth, aggression and war cannot disappear and the world cannot live in peace.

Without fighting against the U.S. imperialist policies of aggression and war on a world-wide scale we cannot talk about the victory of the revolutionary cause, about world peace and human progress.

Accordingly, the struggle against U.S. imperialism is the most urgent revolutionary task of all the progressive peoples of the world for realizing the common aspirations to oppose the common enemy and build a new world, independent and prosperous, and it is a trend of the times that can be checked by no force on earth.

The struggle against U.S. imperialism, the ringleader of world reaction, is a struggle for cutting down the pillar of the imperialist countries and a struggle for accelerating the overall disintegration of the imperialist countries.

That is why the world people who have come out in the anti-imperialist struggle direct their spearhead of struggle, above all, to U.S. imperialism, the ringleader of imperialism and target No. 1 in the world revolutionary struggle.

To intensify the anti-U.S. struggle on a world-wide scale today is the inevitable requirement of the development of the present-day anti-imperialist struggle and world revolution as a whole and is a trend of the times which no force on earth can hold in check.

The U.S. imperialists who have been placed on the decline by the struggle of the revolutionary peoples of Asia and the world resort more desperately to the policies of aggression and war to save themselves from final downfall.

However, the intensified aggressive acts of the U.S. imperialists by no means show their mightiness but, on the contrary, reveal their weakness and corruption. The more rashly the U.S. imperialists act, the harder they are pressed.

The prevailing situation requires all the revolutionary peoples of Asia and the world to intensify the anti-U.S. struggle more resolutely.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"There should be no illusion about imperialism; it is necessary for us to continuously intensify the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle, holding aloft the banner of revolution, till imperialism is finally defeated." ("The Democratic People's Republic of Korea Is the Banner of Freedom and Independence for Our People and the Powerful Weapon of Building Socialism and Communism," Eng. ed., p. 77.)

In order to check and frustrate the U.S. imperialist policies of aggression and war, all the revolutionary peoples of Asia and the world should not have the slightest illusion about imperialism but unfold a vigorous struggle against U.S. imperialism everywhere in firm unity and jointly dismember U.S. imperialism. Then, U.S. imperialism will bite the dust in the end.

Our people are firmly resolved to foil the U.S. imperialist policies of aggression and war and further expedite the victory of the world revolution by further intensifying, in close unity with all the revolutionary peoples of Asia and the world, the anti-U.S. struggle always in the forefront of the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle according to the strategy of the anti-U.S. struggle presented by the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

With no amount of desperation can the U.S. imperialists block the anti-U.S. struggle of the peoples which is a trend of our times and save themselves from their already-sealed doom.

The U.S. imperialists will surely be ruined by the ever-growing anti-U.S. struggle of the peoples and the great revolutionary cause of the peoples who have risen in the anti-U.S. struggle will finally win victory.

INSIDE BACK COVER: School girls making a deep study of the revolutionary traditions at a revolutionary battle site

BACK COVER: The Mangyong-bong Hill with a rainbow hanging over it

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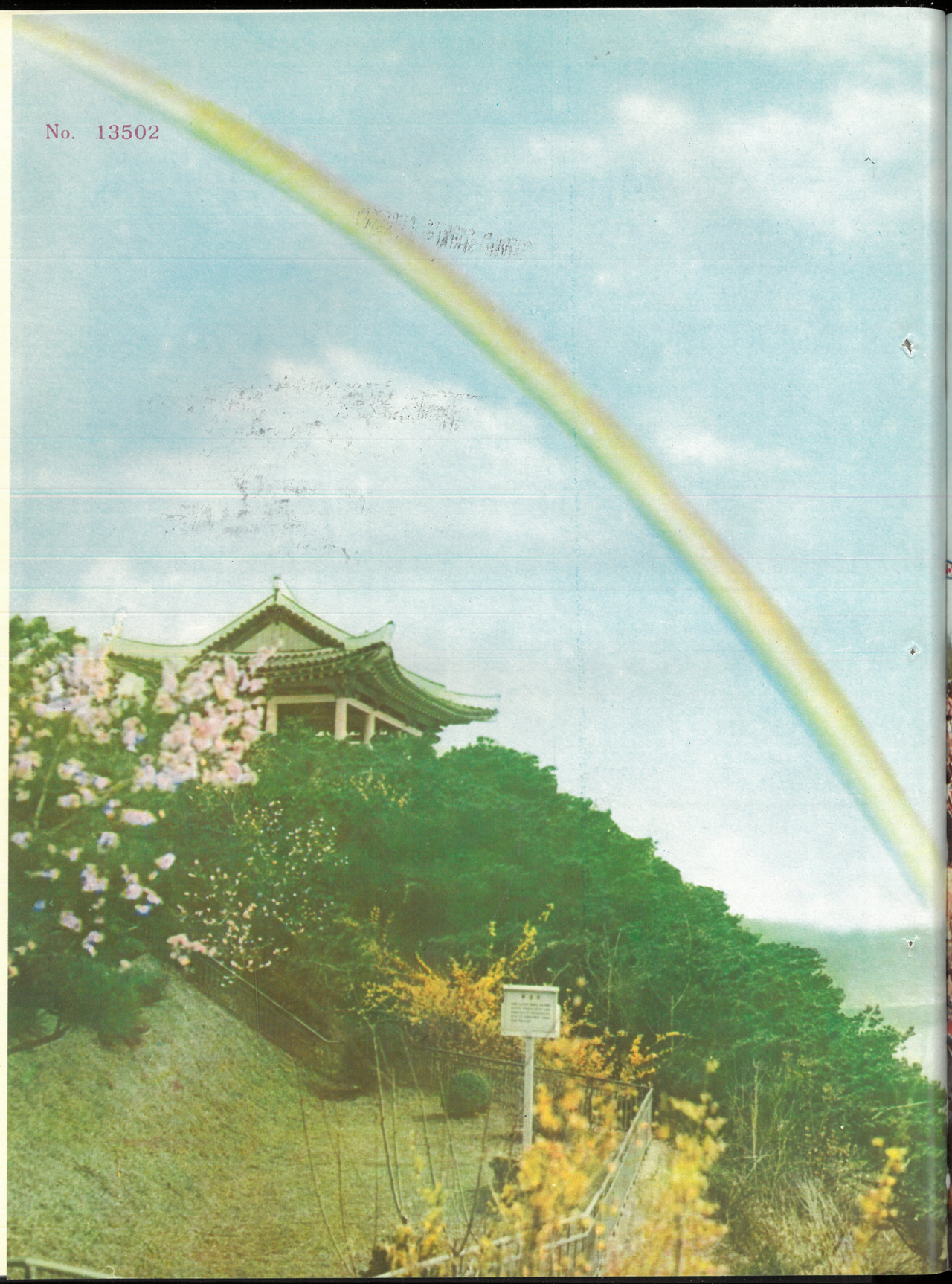

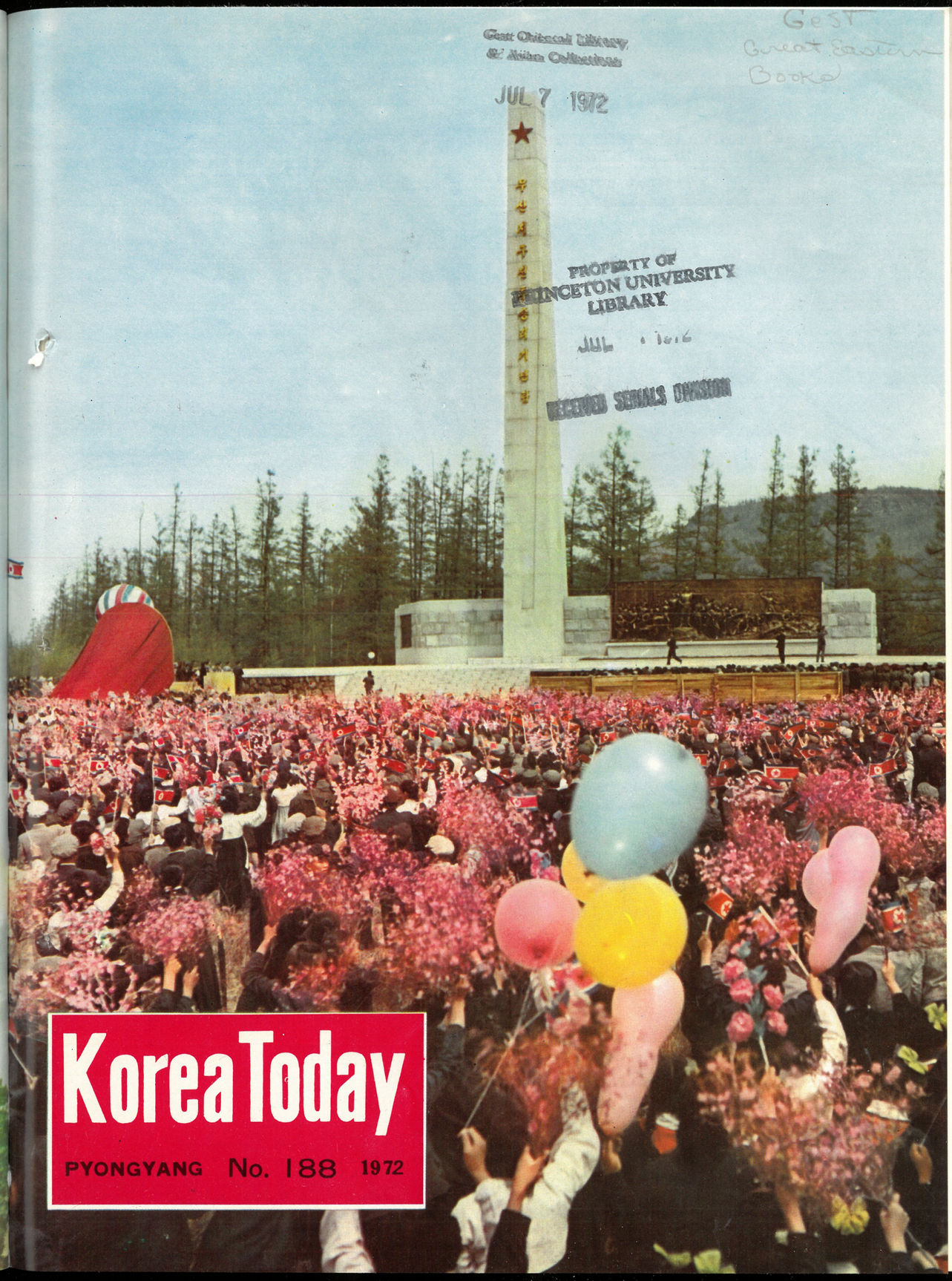

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